

WATSON PARK BRANCH

Annual Report  
Town of  
**BRAINTREE**



1938



# Report of the Selectmen for the Year 1938



It seems appropriate that the Selectmen should make some report to the people of the Town of their doings for the year starting March 7th, 1938, when the control of the Board came into the hands of those now responsible.

A full report of the activities of the Selectmen would include detailed reports of the various departments coming under their jurisdiction. These reports, however, appear more fully set forth in other portions of the Town Report.

The Selectmen have felt that far the most important part of their duties was to see that able and honest men were placed in direct charge of the departments under their control. This has been done and the reports of the various departments speak for themselves of the ability and honesty of the persons appointed. In making these appointments, the Selectmen had not sought to shirk any of their responsibilities, but rather to discharge those responsibilities by surrounding themselves with the proper assistance.

Several matters which have been troublesome in the past have been given serious attention by the present Board. Every effort was made, and with marked success, to obtain and pay bills due, from the Town of Braintree, for the year 1938 before the end of that year. This step will prevent the accumulation of unpaid bills which, annually, have been a problem and burden to the Town. There are, however, outstanding some unpaid bills for years prior to 1938. We hope that the Town will this year take some action to pay these bills so far as they are valid obligations of the Town.

Much time has been spent on the problem of Town insurance with distinctly beneficial results. The rate has been reduced approximately 25%, effecting a very substantial saving to the Town, and the policies have been so distributed that an equal portion becomes renewable each year, in order that the insurance burden will be more evenly distributed throughout the years.

The Accountant's Department acting on instructions of the Selectmen, has done excellent work in setting up an "Accounts Receivable Ledger," in such form that accounts due to the Town may be located, analyzed, and enforced.

The Selectmen have held regular meetings of the Board for public hearings for the transactions of public business and have been in attendance at the Town Hall for the transaction of administrative business almost daily.

While we feel we have made a start in the right direction, we are certain that there is more to be done and we therefore urge the cooperation and understanding of the voters in our effort to attain the goal of a good government in Braintree.

HENRY D. HIGGINS, Chairman.

ALBERT E. ROBERTS, Clerk.

Selectmen of the Town of Braintree.





# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## TOWN OF BRAINTREE

CONTAINING THE REPORTS OF  
SELECTMEN, TOWN TREASURER, TOWN CLERK  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT, ASSESSORS AND OTHER  
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

# 1938

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# *Report of Town Clerk*

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.  
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:—

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall.

Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Hall, Hollis Avenue.

Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Monday, the seventh day of March, 1938, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring into the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Moderator, Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, one Selectman for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Public Welfare for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, two members of the School Committee for a term of three years, one member of the Municipal Lighting Board for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Sewer Commissioner for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, one member of the Planning Board for a term of three years, one member of the Planning Board for a term of two years, two Trustees of Thayer Public Library for a term of two years, and fifteen Constables: also to vote on the following questions on the same ballot:—1. "Shall Part One of an Act passed by the General Court in the year 1937 entitled, 'An Act establishing in the Town of Braintree Representative Town Government by Limited Town Meeting' be accepted by this Town?" 2. "Shall an Act passed by the General Court in the year 1934, entitled, 'An Act establishing a Town Manager Form of Government for the Town of Braintree,' be accepted?" 3. "To see if the Town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a Committee of five to consider the feasibility of applying to the Legislature for permission to set up and operate a Controller's Department in the Town of Braintree and report its recommendations at the next Town Meeting."

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, 1938, at seven forty-five



o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers, except those elected by ballot.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the report of the several boards of Town Officers, and committees, and choose any committee the Town may think proper.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1938, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money for general municipal purposes under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond for any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 7. To see if the Town will hold its Collector harmless on his bond for any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures during the current year.

Article 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Interest and Maturing Debt the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Insurance on Town property and Workmen's Compensation, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the Norfolk County Hospital Assessment, for maintenance and repairs.

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Street Lighting, to wit:—\$12,900.00.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of printing and distribution of the Annual Report of the Town of Braintree for 1937.



Article 14. To see what distribution the Town will vote to make of the income of the Thayer Fund.

Article 15. To see what sums of money, in addition to that appropriated under any other article, the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for LAND DAMAGES.

### SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

Article 16. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools for the present year, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and installing compressed air Whistles, and a system necessary for efficient and effective methods for notifying all parts of the Town of "No-School", or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of enlarging the Auditorium, and providing more suitable stage and dressing room accommodations at the Thomas A. Watson School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the Public Library, the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to fix and establish the salaries of the Selectmen at \$1,000.00 each per annum, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for this purpose.

Article 21. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for GENERAL GOVERNMENT for Salaries and expenses for the following departments and other purposes, the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

1. Moderator.
2. Finance Committee.
3. Selectmen.
4. Accountant.
5. Town Engineer.
6. Assessors
7. Treasurer.
8. Tax Collector.
9. Town Clerk.
10. Election and Registration.
11. Law.
12. Maintenance of Municipal Buildings: Town Hall, Central Fire and Police Station and Public Library.
13. Contributory Retirement System.
 

a. Secretary (Salary) .....	\$ 1,040.00
b. Expenses .....	1,300.00
c. Interest-Deficiency on funds.....	29.64
d. Pensions .....	6,401.83
e. Pension Accumulation Fund.....	13,749.00

Article 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to sums of money already appropriated to cover the Town's share for materials, trucking and other necessary expendi-

tures in connection with W.P.A activities or other Special Aid projects in conjunction with State or Federal Government as may be approved by the Finance Committee, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 23. To see what further sums the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate to meet certain incidental and miscellaneous expenses not otherwise provided for, namely, GENERAL GOVERNMENT INCIDENTALS, the same to be in addition to any sums previously appropriated for said purposes.

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Article 24. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the protection of persons and property the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

1. Life Guard at Sunset Lake.
2. Building Inspector.
3. Sealer of Weights and Measures.
4. Tree Warden's Department.
5. Moth Department.
6. Fire Department.
  1. To see if the Town will vote to increase the Fire Department by the addition of three permanent men at the salaries of \$1,700.00 each per annum, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,100.00 for this purpose.
7. Police Department.
  1. To see if the Town will vote to increase the Police Department by the addition of three permanent men at the salaries of \$1,700.00 each per annum, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,100.00 for this purpose.
  2. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to establish a rule governing "leave of absence with pay for sickness" as applied to the Police Department, to the effect that no member of the Police Department shall receive such sick leave payment for more than fourteen days during the calendar year, or take any other action relative thereto.

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 25. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Health and Sanitation the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the maintenance and operation of the Water Department, including interest and debt on Water Loans, the same to be taken from the revenue of the Department, and the unexpended balance of 1937, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money from the income and revenue of the Water Department of the Town of Braintree for the general operating expenses of the Town; and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to transfer said sum of money to the Town Treasurer to be used to defray the general operating expenses of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to construct a drain to extend the overflow from the standpipe over the property of Gordon Bryant to the Town drain on West Street; and raise and appropriate the sum of \$410.00 from the income of the Water Department to construct said drain, or take any action relative thereto.



Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department, the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Electric Light Commissioners.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to include in the Tax Levy for electricity used for Street Lighting the sum of \$12,900.00 as appropriated under Article 12 in this Warrant for the 1938 Annual Town Meeting, and that said sum together with the income from sales of electricity to private consumers, or for current supplied to Municipal buildings or for Municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year, be appropriated for the use of the Municipal Light Plant, the whole to be expended under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, for repairs, renewals, new construction and operating expenses of the plant for the present fiscal year, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, and that, if said income shall exceed the expenses for the fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the construction fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions to the plant as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money from the income and revenue of the Electric Light Department of the Town of Braintree for the general operating expenses of the Town; and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Electric Light Commissioners to transfer the said sum of money to the Town Treasurer to be used to defray the general operating expenses of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see what sum or sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purposes of the Sewer Department, to be expended by the Board of Sewer Commissioners, or take any action relative thereto.

## RECREATION

Article 33. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the general uses of the Board of Park Commissioners the coming year, or take any action relative thereto.

## CEMETERIES

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the improvement of the Cemetery the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Article 35. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Soldiers' Relief, State Aid and Military Aid, and Memorial Day Observance, the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

## PUBLIC WELFARE

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT, including Aid for Dependent Children, and Adequate Assistance to Certain Aged Persons under the provisions of Chapter 118A, Acts of 1931, or take any action relative thereto.

## HIGHWAYS

Article 37. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, including labor, repairs to highways, Town ways and Bridges; also, for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads and removal of Snow, Oiling and Tarring of Streets; purchase of equipment for said department, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 38. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on ARBUTUS AVENUE, from Standish Avenue to Wildwood Avenue, on the east side, a distance of approximately 615 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$410.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 39. CN PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on WILDWOOD AVENUE, from Arbutus Avenue to the Braintree Highlands School, on the north side, a distance of approximately 2,000 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,333.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 40. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on WILDWOOD AVENUE, from Arbutus Avenue to 57 Wildwood Avenue, on the south side, a distance of approximately 710 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$474.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 41. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on BREWSTER AVENUE from Washington Street to Hayward Avenue, on the north side, a distance of approximately 450 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 42. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on BREWSTER AVENUE, from Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, on the south side, a distance of approximately 2130 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,420.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 43. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on BREWSTER AVENUE, from Arbutus Avenue to Standish Avenue, a distance of approximately 825 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$550.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 44. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on HAYWARD STREET, from North Bowditch Street to Shaw Street, on the south side, a distance of approximately 1160 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$775.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 45. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on KEW ROAD, from Middle Street to Strathmore Road, on the north side, a distance of approximately 370 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$247.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 46. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on KEW ROAD, from Middle Street to Strathmore Road, on the south side, a distance of approximately 366 feet, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$243.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 47. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on STRATHMORE ROAD, from Union Street approximately 247 feet north, on the east side, and raise and appropriate the



sum of \$165.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 48. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on STRATHMORE ROAD, from Union Street a distance of approximately 172 feet on the south side, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 49. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on MIDDLE STREET, from Elm Street to No. 105 Middle Street, a distance of approximately 1205 feet on the west side, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$810.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 50. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on HANCOCK STREET, from Washington Street near Plain Street to Washington Street, a distance of approximately 1980 feet on the west side, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,320.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 51. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to widen FAXON STREET, from Commercial Street, a distance of approximately 400 feet south, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$455.00 for the construction of same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 52. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to widen a portion of UNION STREET, opposite No. 351 Union Street, approximately 80 square yards of construction, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the construction of the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 53. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, VERANDA ROAD, so-called, from Marietta Avenue, a distance of approximately 200 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 54. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept ARTHUR STREET, between Audubon Road and Arborway Drive, as and for a Town Way, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 55. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of that portion of ARTHUR STREET situated between Edgehill Road and Gordon Road, which was accepted by the Town in 1919, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 56. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, WALNUT STREET, so-called, from Storrs Avenue Extension, to Lakeside Drive, Braintree, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 57. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, WALNUT STREET, so-called, from Lakeside Drive to Oakland Road, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way.

Article 58. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, OAKLAND ROAD, so-called, from Walnut Street to Abbott Street, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, and raise

and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 59. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, LAKESIDE DRIVE, so-called, from Walnut Street to Granite Street, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 60. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, BREWSTER AVENUE, so-called, from Washington Street to Standish Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 61. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, OREGON AVENUE, a distance of 600 feet, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 62. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, ROSE AVENUE, so-called, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 63. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a curbing and sidewalk, on the easterly side of BELLEVUE ROAD, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 64. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the extension of the water main from the end of Dewey Avenue and Cedar Avenue, to Oregon and Dyer Avenue and Winthrop Road; a distance of seven hundred (700) feet; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 65. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 to replace the inadequate heating system in the Town-owned Legion Building.

Article 66. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$650.00 to assist Braintree Post No. 86, The American Legion; Antietam Camp, Sons of the Union Veterans of Civil War and Braintree Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in defraying expenses of Memorial Day.

Article 67. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$78.97 to assist Braintree Post No. 86, The American Legion, in defraying expenses incurred in the Public Tri-Town Observance of Armistice Day, November 11, 1937.

Article 68. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$750.00 for the maintenance of the Legion Building, so-called, and occupied by Braintree Post No. 86, The American Legion.

Article 69. ON PETITION. To see what action the Town will take on the report of a Committee appointed by vote under Article 71 at the Annual Town Meeting in 1937.

Article 70. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a drain, known as FOGG'S DRAIN, as laid out by the Town Engineer, or take any action relative thereto.



Article 71. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to compensate Walter J. MacDonald for legal services rendered in 1935 in the case of Mellen vs. Shay.

Article 72. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will adopt, and memorialize other Towns and Cities within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the Great and General Court, urging them to adopt the substance of the following resolutions, or to see what action the Town will take with reference thereto:—

RESOLVED: That in the methods to be used in constructing and repairing our individual properties, those methods be adopted which will employ men, rather than utilize machinery to the exclusion of manual labor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That in all contemplated projects of larger proportions to be done under contract, a stipulation be included in each contract which shall specify that work is to be done by hand labor, and what is permitted to be done by machinery:—

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That in the performance of Public Works, such methods be used more consistently as will first utilize the primary power for commerce and add means to the support for the machines.

Article 73. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of FISH AND GAME WARDEN, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Joseph S. Miller Fund; the income from said fund to be used for the care of the Miller lot in the Plain Street Cemetery.

Article 75. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Land Damages and costs or expenses in settling suits and claims brought against the Norfolk County Commissioners, for which the Town of Braintree will be held liable.

Article 76. To see if the Town will vote to appoint an Administrator of Public Welfare, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for a salary for said Administrator, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 77. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the expenses of the Planning Board, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 211 of the Acts of 1936 relating to an improved method of Municipal Planning, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 79. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, B. V. FRENCH STREET, so-called, as laid out by the Town Engineer, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each Voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said seventh day of March, 1938, and by publishing the same once each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Citizen, the first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this tenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

JOHN H. CAHILL  
EDWARD AVERY  
ALBERT E. ROBERTS

Selectmen of the Town of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 18, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 21, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I have hereby notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., March 7, 1938.

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, the voters assembled in their respective Precincts to cast their ballots for the several Town Officers, also to vote on the several Referendums named therein.

The polls were opened in all precincts at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and were closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The following Election Officers served:

PRECINCT ONE—Warden, Frank M. O'Rourke; Clerk, Charles H. Tobey; Constable, Harry W. Lindsay; Lillian A. Nihan, Ralph A. Daiute, Fred A. Leavitt, Catherine G. LeSage, Elna T. Hatch, Homer L. Walters, Grace E. Scott, E. Arnold Allen, John G. Berg, Edward C. Schroth, Nicholas Galotti, John T. Barrett, Florence M. Dries and Nannie E. Dand.

PRECINCT TWO—Warden, George A. Arnold; Clerk, Lillian M. Drinkwater; Constable, George K. Moorhead; Harold C. Hamilton, Donald Berrio, Gustaf Arnoldson, Jr., Carrie E. McKean, Mildred C. Bacon, Ethel M. Murray, Grace Blake, Hazel Upham, Katherine M. Wynot, Elliott Finney, Theodore Demers, Robert S. Beck and Harry F. Vinton.

PRECINCT THREE—Warden, Thomas F. Cassidy; Clerk, Herbert K. Jeffers; Constable, Alphonse V. White; Mary M. Palmer, Michael Smith, Daniel J. Creggan, Mary E. Phelps, Delia I. Shores, John J. Barrett, Jr., Lillian Lucid, Edward Starr, John J. Sullivan, Elizabeth A. Silva, Emma Frazier, Frances Vining, and Helen Smith.

At the opening of the polls the ballot boxes were inspected and found to be empty and the registers set at zero (0). The keys were placed in charge of the Constables of their respective precincts. The meetings were conducted in like manner and in accordance with the law.



At the close of the polls when all votes had been canvassed, counted, recorded and ballots sealed according to law, they were then forwarded to the Town Clerk's office where the figures were tabulated, proved and the result declared by the Board of Registrars.

### NUMBER OF VOTES CAST

Precinct 1 .....	2478
Precinct 2 .....	2461
Precinct 3 .....	2268
Total .....	<u>7207</u>

Following is the result in detail:

### FOR MODERATOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
William F. Rogers.....	1755	1995	1529	5279
Scattering .....			1	1
Blanks .....	723	466	738	1927
Total .....	<u>2478</u>	<u>2461</u>	<u>2268</u>	<u>7207</u>

William F. Rogers elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

### FOR TOWN CLERK

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Ernest C. Woodsum.....	1911	2120	1734	5765
Blanks .....	567	341	534	1442
Total .....	<u>2478</u>	<u>2461</u>	<u>2268</u>	<u>7207</u>

Ernest C. Woodsum elected and sworn by Otis B. Oakman, Notary Public.

### FOR TOWN TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John W. Harding.....	1746	2030	1564	5340
Scattering .....			1	1
Blanks .....	732	431	703	1866
Total .....	<u>2478</u>	<u>2461</u>	<u>2268</u>	<u>7207</u>

John W. Harding elected and sworn by Otis B. Oakman, Notary Public.

### FOR SELECTMAN

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Harry H. Bousquet.....	1168	267	326	1761
John H. Cahill.....	583	443	1071	2097
Henry D. Higgins.....	687	1712	834	3233
Victor E. Swanson.....	6	12	20	38
Blanks .....	34	27	17	78
Total .....	<u>2478</u>	<u>2461</u>	<u>2268</u>	<u>7207</u>

Henry D. Higgins elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Harry H. Bousquet.....	1155	266	326	1747
John H. Cahill.....	564	423	978	1965
Henry D. Higgins.....	675	1690	879	3244
Victor E. Swanson.....	7	22	20	49
Scattering .....	1			1
Blanks .....	76	60	65	201
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Henry D. Higgins elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR ASSESSOR

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Fred Austerberry .....	879	1134	747	2760
Joseph G. Bailey.....	394	435	507	1336
William D. Ewing.....	445	374	273	1092
Thomas F. Messenger.....	109	157	434	700
Frederick L. Murphy.....	478	170	100	748
Blanks .....	173	191	207	571
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Fred Austerberry elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER AND COMMISSIONER OF  
SINKING FUND

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
George A. Walker.....	1679	1929	1534	5142
Blanks .....	799	532	734	2065
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

George A. Walker elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
C. Earle Bestick.....	907	1115	680	2702
Howard B. Blewett.....	825	1325	711	2861
John F. Harkin.....	737	455	882	2074
Harriet B. W. Kimball.....	740	1002	764	2506
Blanks .....	1747	1025	1499	4271
Total .....	4956	4922	4536	14414

C. Earle Bestick and Howard B. Blewett elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR MUNICIPAL LIGHTING BOARD

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Norton P. Potter.....	1703	1876	1427	5006
Blanks .....	775	585	841	2201
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Norton P. Potter elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR BOARD OF HEALTH

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John J. Atkinson.....	1203	1264	939	3406
William J. Gauthier.....	124	317	154	595
James F. Mattie.....	610	552	855	2017
Anthony Rossi .....	216	31	46	293
Scattering .....	1		2	3
Blanks .....	324	297	272	893
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

John J. Atkinson elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Dwight A. Chandler.....	1636	1906	1561	5103
Blanks .....	842	555	707	2104
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Dwight A. Chandler elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR PARK COMMISSIONER

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John Hennebury, Jr.....	331	342	670	1343
Robert B. Taylor.....	1464	1430	891	3785
Charles W. Thomas.....	155	246	224	625
Blanks .....	528	443	483	1454
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Robert B. Taylor elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR TAX COLLECTOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
George H. Gerrior, Jr.....	1924	2066	1748	5738
Blanks .....	554	395	520	1469
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

George H. Gerrior, Jr., elected and sworn by Town Clerk.



## FOR TREE WARDEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clarence R. Bestick.....	1692	1921	1532	5145
Blanks .....	786	540	736	2062
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Clarence R. Bestick elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR PLANNING BOARD

(For three years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John F. Clinton.....	1588	1799	1503	4890
Blanks .....	890	662	765	2317
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

John F. Clinton elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR PLANNING BOARD

(For two years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Frank L. Heaney.....	1628	1845	1413	4886
Blanks .....	850	616	855	2321
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

Frank L. Heaney elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

(For two years)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Mabel S. Rogers.....	1686	1862	1355	4903
Clara G. Wetherbee.....	1586	1748	1161	4495
Blanks .....	1684	1312	2020	5016
Total .....	4956	4922	4536	14414

Mabel S. Rogers and Clara G. Wetherbee elected and sworn by Town Clerk.

## FOR CONSTABLES

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
George F. Allsopp.....	1241	1241	832	3314
Gustaf Arnoldson, Jr.....	1261	1242	902	3405
Clarence R. Bestick.....	1181	1292	857	3330
Everett A. Buker.....	1214	1275	754	3243
William J. Gauthier.....	1167	1274	816	3257
Alton D. Griggs.....	1200	1096	810	3106
John J. Heaney.....	1212	1279	862	3353
Harvey Howe .....	1247	1213	823	3283
Edward F. Moore.....	1143	1145	788	3076
H. Winthrop S. Roberts.....	1178	1091	787	3056
John P. Shay.....	1137	1232	768	3137
L. Daniel Shields.....	11	101	15	127
Robert A. Tenney.....	77	0	9	86
Scattering .....	46	117	64	227
Blanks .....	23855	23317	24933	72105
Total .....	37170	36915	34020	108105

Above candidates elected and sworn by Town Clerk.



REFERENDUM NO. 1  
REPRESENTATIVE FORM OF TOWN GOVERNMENT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes .....	647	1079	600	2326
No .....	596	543	541	1680
Blanks .....	1235	839	1127	3201
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

REFERENDUM NO. 2  
TOWN MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes .....	512	713	532	1757
No .....	706	740	594	2040
Blanks .....	1260	1008	1142	3410
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

REFERENDUM NO. 3  
COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FEASIBILITY OF CONTROLLER'S  
DEPARTMENT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes .....	739	1041	704	2484
No .....	440	361	384	1185
Blanks .....	1299	1059	1180	3538
Total .....	2478	2461	2268	7207

A true copy, Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,  
Town Clerk.

March 14, 1938.

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:48 P.M. by Moderator William F. Rogers. The voters were checked on entering building—905 present. Amplifiers were installed throughout the hall.

ARTICLE 1.

Voted: To elect three Measurers of Wood and Weighers of Hay: Willard P. Sheppard, Wilford F. Woodsum and R. Allen Gage elected.

Voted: To elect three Measurers of Lumber: Herbert W. Borden, Shelley A. Neal and Charles O. Miller elected.

ARTICLE 2.

Voted: That Article 2 be taken up in conjunction with other articles in the warrant.

ARTICLE 3.

Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1,

1938, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.—Unanimous vote.

#### ARTICLE 4.

Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.—Unanimous Vote.

#### ARTICLE 5.

Voted: That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow for ordinary maintenance expenses of the Town the sum of \$50,000.00, but in no event a sum in excess of the amount of tax titles taken or held by the Town, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, as most recently amended by Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1936.—Unanimous Vote.

#### ARTICLE 6.

Voted: That the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond for any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

#### ARTICLE 7.

Voted: That the Town will hold its Collector harmless on his bond for any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

#### UNDER ARTICLE 2.

Voted: That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to ascertain the facts surrounding any overdrafts made during the year 1937, said committee or its agents to have access to all the records of the Town, and said committees be and hereby is authorized to employ legal counsel and such other assistance as in its opinion may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this vote, any expense incurred by the committee to be paid for out of the appropriation for Selectmen's Expenses. The committee is instructed to report back to an adjournment of this Town Meeting with its recommendation for any action which should be taken by the Town relative to overdrafts.—8:16 P.M.

Mr. Ira Young moved: That the Town Counsel is hereby appointed a committee of one to have a bill entered at the State House (under suspension of the Rules if possible) which will change Section 31 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws to read in such a way, that in towns having Finance Committees or committees having similar duties, the authorization of two-thirds of the membership of such committee shall be necessary before any department can incur obligations in excess of their appropriations. So voted—8:21 P.M.

Mr. Ira Young moved: That the Moderator shall appoint a committee consisting of the Town Counsel and two voters to take the neces-



sary steps to have our new representative form of Town government changed as soon as possible in the following respects:

1. Strike out the words "as a special appropriation" in the first sentence of Section 9.
2. Change the words "two hundred and forty" in Section 3 to "six hundred".
3. Change the words "six" and "nine" in the first paragraph of Section 2 to "ten" and "fifteen".

Not a vote—8:27 P.M.

ARTICLE 8.

Voted: That there be appropriated the sum of \$5,000.00 for a Reserve Fund for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures during the current year.

ARTICLE 9.

Voted: For Maturing Debt: The appropriation of \$95,000.00 to be raised as follows:

For School Bonds.....	\$56,000.00	
For Central Station Bonds.....	8,000.00	
For Sewer Bonds.....	20,000.00	
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Total from Tax Levy.....		\$84,000.00
For Sewer Bonds from P.W.A Grant.....		8,000.00
For Water Bonds from the surplus and income of the Water Department .....		3,000.00
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		\$95,000.00

Voted: For Interest: The appropriation of \$38,585.00 to be raised as follows:

For School Loans.....	\$10,965.00	
For Central Station Loan.....	2,400.00	
For Anticipation of Revenue.....	5,000.00	
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Total from Tax Levy.....		\$18,365.00
For Sewer Loans, from the surplus and income of the Sewer Department .....		19,860.00
For Water Loans, from the surplus and income of the Water Department .....		360.00
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		\$38,585.00

ARTICLE 10

Voted: To appropriate the following sums of money for Insurance on Town property and Workingmen's Compensation:

For Employees' Compensation Insurance.....	\$4,500.00
For Fire Insurance, Buildings and Contents.....	4,541.18
For Automobile Liability.....	1,062.54
For Automobile Fire and Theft.....	140.00
For Boiler Insurance.....	1,618.21
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	\$11,861.93



## ARTICLE 11.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$9,660.32 for the Norfolk County Hospital Assessment, for maintenance and repairs.

## ARTICLE 12.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for Street Lighting.

## ARTICLE 13.

Mr. Palmer moved: That the sum of \$1,410.48 be appropriated for the payment of printing and distribution of the Annual Report of the Town of Braintree for 1937.

Mr. Foley moved: That Article 13 be laid on the table. So voted—8:32.

## ARTICLE 14.

Voted that there be appropriated from the income of the Charles Edward Thayer Fund the following sums:

For the Dyer Hill Cemetery: to be expended under the direction of Otis B. Oakman and Charles S. Marshall....	\$ 65.00
For the Parks of the Town (\$100.00 each precinct).....	300.00
For the Public Library for purchase of new books.....	250.00

## ARTICLE 15.

Voted: That the sum of \$7,000.00 be appropriated for LAND DAMAGES.

## SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

## ARTICLE 16.

Voted: That the following sums of money be appropriated for the support of the Public Schools for the present year:

For Salaries .....	\$266,890.00
For Text Books and Supplies.....	16,000.00
For Expenses .....	45,487.00
For Sprinkler System, Hollis School.....	1,900.00
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	\$330,277.00

To be raised as follows:

From the Tax Levy.....	\$328,373.54
From Dog Tax.....	1,903.46
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	\$330,277.00

## ARTICLE 17.

Mr. Palmer moved: No action—So voted—8:36.

## ARTICLE 18.

Voted: That this article be referred to the School Department for the preparation of a W.P.A. project.

## ARTICLE 19.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the Public Library the present year:

For Salaries .....	\$ 8,650.00
For Expenses .....	6,275.00
For Janitors .....	500.00
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	\$15,425.00

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## ARTICLE 20.

Mr. Palmer moved: No action—So voted.

## ARTICLE 21.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money for GENERAL GOVERNMENT for salaries and expenses for the following departments and other purposes, the present year:

1. Moderator .....	\$ 25.00
2. Finance Committee:	
Salary of Secretary.....	\$250.00
Expenses .....	650.00
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	\$ 900.00
3. Selectmen:	
Salaries of Board.....	\$1,950.00
to be allocated \$650.00 to each Selectman.	
Salary of Secretary.....	\$1,296.00
Expense—	

Mr. Anderson moved: That the item with relation to Expenses of the Selectmen be laid on the table. So voted.

Mr. Ira Young moved: Reconsideration of the Salaries of the Selectmen under Article 21, Item 3. Not a vote—8:42.

4. Accountant:	
Salary .....	\$2,000.00
Expenses .....	445.00
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	\$2,445.00
5. Town Engineer:	
Salary of Engineer.....	\$2,500.00
Other Salaries .....	3,656.00
Expenses .....	770.00
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	\$6,926.00
6. Assessors:	
Salaries of Board.....	\$3,000.00
to be allocated \$1,000.00 to each Assessor	
Clerical Help .....	3,172.00
Expenses .....	2,480.00
Investigations .....	250.00
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	\$8,902.00

Mr. Palmer spoke of the passing of Charles S. Hannaford who served the Town faithfully for many years, both as a Town Official and a highly respected citizen.

The assembly stood in silence for one minute in memory of Mr. Hannaford.

7. Treasurer:	
Salary .....	\$2,000.00
Expenses .....	4,465.00
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	\$6,465.00
8. Tax Collector:	
Salary, Collector .....	\$2,000.00
Salary, Deputy .....	1,300.00
Clerical Help .....	1,400.00
Advertising and Recording Deeds.....	1,075.00
Expenses .....	2,318.00
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	\$8,093.00

9. Town Clerk:		
Salary .....	\$2,000.00	
Expenses .....	442.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,442.00
10. Election and Registration:		
Salaries of Registrars.....	\$ 300.00	
to be allocated \$100.00 for each appointed registrar.		
Election Officials and Janitors.....	1,176.00	
Expenses .....	608.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,084.00
11. Law:		
Salary of Town Counsel.....	\$2,000.00	
Expenses .....	1,000.00	
Settlement of Claims.....	1,500.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,500.00
12. Maintenance of Municipal Buildings:		
Salaries, Janitors, Town Hall.....	\$2,504.00	
Maintenance, Town Hall.....	2,000.00	
Maintenance, Central Station.....	1,000.00	
Fuel Oil for Central Station.....	1,100.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,604.00

Mr. Colbert offered the following resolution: **RESOLVED:** That the Selectmen consider the rearrangement of the offices in the Town Hall.—Carried 8:47.

13. Contributory Retirement System:	
Salary of Secretary.....	\$1,040.00
Expenses .....	200.00
Interest Deficiency on Funds.....	29.64

#### Pensions:

Mr. Palmer moved: That the Town instruct the Contributory Retirement Board to give the Finance Committee the details asked for in their letter. So voted—8:58.

Voted: That the item of Pensions be laid on the table.

Pension Accumulation Fund.....	\$13,749.00	
	<hr/>	\$15,018.64

## ARTICLE 22.

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to be expended by the Selectmen to cover the Town's share for materials, trucking, and other necessary expenditures in connection with W.P.A. activities or other special aid projects in conjunction with the State or Federal government, said sum to be allocated approximately as follows:

For the Highway Department.....	\$15,000.00
For the School Department.....	4,000.00
For Miscellaneous Projects and Administration.....	6,000.00

## ARTICLE 23.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1,000.00 to meet certain incidental and miscellaneous expenses not otherwise provided for, namely, **GENERAL GOVERNMENT INCIDENTALS**, the same to be in addition to any sums previously appropriated for said purposes.—9:00 P.M.



## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### ARTICLE 24.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the protection of persons and property the present year:

1. Lifeguard at Sunset Lake.....		\$ 300.00
2. Building Inspector:		
Salary .....	\$1,000.00	
Expenses .....	100.00	
		<hr/> \$1,100.00
3. Sealer of Weights and Measures:		
Salary .....	\$ 500.00	
Expenses .....	200.00	
Trailer .....	130.00	
		<hr/> \$ 830.00
4. Tree Warden:		
General Expenses .....		\$ 300.00
5. Moth Department:		
Salary of Superintendent.....	\$ 600.00	
Labor .....	2,000.00	
Expense .....	600.00	
Repairs and Equipment.....	100.00	
		<hr/> \$3,300.00
6. Fire Department:		
Salaries .....	\$39,286.46	
Expenses .....	4,905.00	
New Chief's Car.....	800.00	
		<hr/> \$44,991.46
Fire Alarm System:		
Salary, Repairman .....	\$ 2,000.00	
Extra Help .....	565.38	
Expenses .....	2,025.00	
		<hr/> \$4,590.38
7. Police Department:		
Salaries .....	\$37,392.79	
Vacations .....	1,142.40	
Sick Leave .....	400.00	
Dog Officer .....	100.00	
Expenses .....	2,145.00	
Two new automobiles—		

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1,282.00 for the purchase of two new automobiles for the use of the Police Department, and that the Town authorize that two old automobiles now used by the Police Department be turned in to the vendor as partial payment for the new automobiles.....\$1,282.00

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\$42,462.19

#### Pensions:

Former Police Chief Jeremiah Gallivan.....	\$1,250.00	
Former Patrolman August Johnson.....	1,000.00	
Former Patrolman John P. Shay, 1937.....	231.00	
Former Patrolman John P. Shea, 1938.....	1,000.00	
		<hr/> \$ 3,481.00

1. Voted: No action—on item to increase the Fire Department by the addition of three permanent men. 9:05.

1. Voted: No action—on item to increase the Police Department by the addition of three permanent men.
2. Voted: That the Town instruct the Selectmen to establish a rule governing "leave of absence with pay for sickness" as applied to the Police Department, to the effect that no member of the Police Department shall receive such sick leave payment for more than fourteen days during the calendar year.

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### ARTICLE 25.

Voted: That the following sums of money be appropriated for Health and Sanitation the present year:

#### Health Administration:

Salaries, Board of Health, \$100.00 each member.....	\$ 300.00
Salary, Health Agent.....	1,300.00
Expenses .....	550.00
Contagious Diseases .....	9,000.00
Collection of Garbage.....	3,250.00
Inspection of Plumbing.....	1,200.00
Inspector of Animals.....	200.00
Inspector of Meats and Provisions.....	350.00
Diphtheria Clinic .....	325.00
Tuberculosis Prevention .....	480.00
Dental Clinic .....	2,000.00
Vital Statistics .....	50.00
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	\$19,005.00

### ARTICLE 26.

Voted: That there be appropriated the sum of \$94,940.00 for the maintenance and operation of the water supply system, laying and relaying of water mains, including \$300.00 for the salaries of three Water Commissioners, the same to be taken from the surplus of the water revenues as shown on the books December 31, 1937, and from the revenues of the department for the year 1938.

### ARTICLE 27.

Voted: No action under Article 27.

### ARTICLE 28.

Voted: That Article 28 be referred to the Water Department for a W.P.A. project.—9:09.

### ARTICLE 29.

Voted: That there be appropriated the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Electric Light Commissioners, the same to be taken from the revenues of the Electric Light Department for the year 1938.

### ARTICLE 30.

Voted: That there be included in the tax levy for electricity used for Street Lighting the sum of \$12,000.00 as appropriated under Article 12 in this Warrant for the 1938 Annual Town Meeting, and that said sum together with the income from sales of electricity to private consumers, or for current supplied to municipal buildings or for municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current



fiscal year, be appropriated for the use of the Municipal Light Plant the whole to be expended under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, for repairs, renewals, new construction, and operating expenses of the plant for the present fiscal year, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, and that, if said income shall exceed the expenses for the fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the Construction Fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions to the plant as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

ARTICLE 31.

Voted: No action under Article 31.

ARTICLE 32.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the purposes of the Sewer Department, to be expended by the Board of Sewer Commissioners:

For maintenance, including \$300.00 for the salaries of three Commissioners.....	\$10,000.00
For Drainage Study.....	1,250.00
For House Connections.....	10,000.00

Voted: That there be appropriated for the Sewer Department's share of materials, trucking, and other necessary expenses in connection with W.P.A activities or other special aid projects in conjunction with State or Federal Government the sum of \$15,000.00 to be raised as follows:

From the Tax Levy.....	\$13,060.13		
From the unexpended balance of the Sewer construction fund of the Third Sewer Loan.....	1,939.87	\$15,000.00	
			\$36,250.00

RECREATION

ARTICLE 33.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the following sums of money for the general uses of the Board of Park Commissioners the coming year:

For Precinct One.....	\$ 350.00	
For Precinct Two.....	500.00	
For Precinct Three.....	500.00	
For Organized Play.....	500.00	
		\$1,850.00

CEMETERIES

ARTICLE 34

Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the improvement of the Cemetery the present year:

Superintendence and Labor.....	\$ 300.00	
Expenses .....	200.00	
		\$ 500.00

Voted: That there be appropriated the sum of \$4.00 the same to be taken from the income of the Julia Minchin Trust Fund, for care of lot.



SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

ARTICLE 35.

Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Relief, State Aid and Military Aid, the present year:

For Salary, Soldiers' Relief Agent—42 Weeks..	\$1,050.00	
For Expenses, Soldiers' Relief Dept.....	100.00	
For Soldiers' Relief.....	13,850.00	
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		\$15,000.00
For State Aid and Burials.....		450.00
For Military Aid.....		500.00

Mr. Pratt moved: That the appropriation for Memorial Day Observance be laid on the table and taken up after Article 66. So voted —9:15.

PUBLIC WELFARE

ARTICLE 36.

Moved: That Article 76 be taken up in conjunction with Article 36. Unanimous vote.

Voted: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT, including Aid for Dependent Children, and Adequate Assistance to Certain Aged Persons under the provisions of Chapter 118A, Acts of 1931:

For Welfare Department Administration:

Salaries, Board of Welfare, \$200, each member .....	\$ 600.00
Salaries of two investigators.....	2,420.00
Salary of Clerk.....	1,092.00
Salary of Bookkeeper.....	1,560.00
Office Expense and Supplies.....	540.00
Automobile Expense and Repairs.....	700.00

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$700.00 for the purchase of one new automobile for the use of the Welfare Department, and that the Town authorize that one old automobile now used by the Welfare Department be turned in to the vendor as partial payment for the new automobile .....	700.00	
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		\$ 7,612.00

ARTICLE 76.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1,875.00 for the salary of a Welfare Administrator for 39 Weeks.—9:20.

ARTICLE 36.

For Temporary Aid.....	\$90,000.00
For Aid to Dependent Children.....	\$11,000.00
For the Infirmary:	
Salary .....	\$1,200.00
Labor .....	900.00
Expenses .....	4,915.00
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	\$ 7,015.00
For Old Age Assistance:	
Salary of Administrator—11 weeks.....	\$ 423.08
Salary of Clerk.....	1,092.00
Office Expense .....	100.00
Assistance to Recipients.....	65,000.00
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	\$66,615.08

# HIGHWAYS

## ARTICLE 37.

Mr. Colbert moved: That the sum of \$2,900.00 be raised and appropriated for the Salary of the Superintendent of Highways as follows:

Salary of Superintendent:

10 Weeks (old Superintendent).....	\$ 480.00	
42 Weeks (new Superintendent).....	2,420.00	
		<hr/> \$ 2,900.00

The vote being doubted, the Moderator appointed the following to serve as tellers: Messrs. Schell, Rose, Arnold, Trainor, Harmon, B. Johnson, Wade and Hitchcock.

There being 461 in the affirmative and 236 in the negative, the original motion as made by Mr. Colbert was carried.—9:36.

Voted: For labor, repairs to highways, Town ways and bridge, repairs to sidewalks, and other maintenance, not including new construction, as follows:

Supplies .....	\$ 500.00	
Gasoline and Oil.....	6,200.00	
Patching Highways .....	10,350.00	
Street Cleaning .....	8,250.00	
Drains and Catch Basins.....	3,000.00	
Tarvia and sanding.....	12,000.00	
Repairs to Equipment.....	3,550.00	
Repairs to Sidewalks.....	2,500.00	
All Other .....	4,700.00	
		<hr/> \$51,050.00

Mr. Starr moved: That the Highway Department be authorized to set aside one day a month to collect rubbish, ashes, and tin cans, effective May 1, 1938.

Mr. Palmer moved: That the motion as made by Mr. Starr be laid on the table. So voted—9:42.

Mr. Palmer moved: That no action be taken on the purchase of one new 5-ton Auto Truck. So voted.—9:44.

Mr. Palmer moved: That an appropriation for Snow Removal be laid on the table and taken up at the adjourned meeting. So voted.

## ARTICLE 38.

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$410.00 to construct a sidewalk on ARBUTUS AVENUE, from Standish Avenue to Wildwood Avenue, on the east side, a distance of approximately 615 feet.

## ARTICLE 39.

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,333.00 to construct a sidewalk on WILDWOOD AVENUE, from Arbutus Avenue to the Braintree Highlands School, on the north side, a distance of approximately 2,000 feet.—9:53.

## ARTICLE 40.

Voted: No action under Article 40.

## ARTICLE 41.

Voted: No action under Article 41.

## ARTICLE 42.

Voted: No action under Article 42.

## ARTICLE 43.

Voted: No action under Article 43.

## ARTICLE 44.

Voted: No action under Article 44.

## ARTICLE 45.

Voted: No action under Article 45.

## ARTICLE 46.

Voted: That Article 46 be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. project.—9:57.

## ARTICLE 47.

Voted: No action under Article 47.

## ARTICLE 48.

Voted: That Article 48 be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A project.

## ARTICLE 49.

Moved: That the sum of \$810.00 be raised and appropriated to construct a sidewalk on MIDDLE STREET, from Elm Street to No. 105 Middle Street, a distance of approximately 1,205 feet on the west side. Not carried—9:59.

## ARTICLE 50.

Voted: That the sum of \$1,320.00 be raised and appropriated to construct a sidewalk on HANCOCK STREET, from Washington Street near Plain Street to Washington Street, a distance of approximately 1,980 feet on the west side.

## ARTICLE 51.

Voted: No action under Article 51.

## ARTICLE 52.

Voted: That the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated to widen a portion of UNION STREET, opposite No. 351 Union Street, approximately 80 square yards of construction.

## ARTICLE 53.

Moved: No action on Article 53—Not a vote.

Mr. Ira Young moved: That Article 53 be referred to the Highway Department under a W.P.A. project to put it in such condition so it can be accepted. Voted—10:00.

Mr. Blewett served notice for the reconsideration of Article 49.

Mr. Anderson moved: That the Meeting now adjourn until two weeks from tonight, Monday, March 28th, at 7:45 P.M.—Voted 10:13.

A true copy. Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,

Town Clerk.



WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree.

On Monday, the twenty-eighth day of March, 1938, at eight o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely.

ARTICLE 1. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the payment of certain unpaid bills contracted in several Town departments prior to December 31, 1937, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property, title to which has been acquired by the Town under tax title foreclosure procedure, at public auction, provided notice of such auction sale be published in one or more newspapers published in the Town at least one week before the date of said sale, and to authorize the Selectmen to execute deeds conveying said land.

ARTICLE 3. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the payment of overdrafts or liabilities incurred in excess of the appropriations, voted by the Selectmen under Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws, of the following departments for the year 1937:

Police Department—Extra Men.....	\$ 156.60
Highway Department—Snow Removal.....	2,802.06
Soldiers' Relief .....	7,036.91
Military Aid .....	330.00
Welfare—Temporary Aid .....	27,887.74
Old Age Assistance.....	11,382.07
Infirmary .....	1,370.57
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	\$50,965.95

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree ten days at least before said twenty-eighth day of March, 1938, and by publishing the same once each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this sixteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

HENRY D. HIGGINS  
ALBERT E. ROBERTS  
EDWARD AVERY  
Selectmen of Braintree

A True Copy: Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY  
Constable of Braintree

Braintree, Mass., March 17, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY  
Constable of Braintree

Braintree, Mass., March 17, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I have hereby notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY  
Constable of Braintree

March 28, 1938.

The adjourned Town Meeting was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Moderator William F. Rogers. The voters were checked on entering building—1,504 present. Amplifiers were installed throughout the lower hall and lobbies for the convenience of the voters.

Notice was given of desire to reconsider Articles 35, 36 and 49.

#### ARTICLE 54.

Voted: That Article 54 be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. project.

#### ARTICLE 55.

Voted: That Article 55 be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. project.

#### ARTICLE 56.

Voted: Favorable action on acceptance of Walnut Street, so called, from Storrs Avenue Extension to Oakland Road, a distance of 400 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen.

#### ARTICLE 57.

Voted: No action under Article 57.

#### ARTICLE 58.

Voted: No action under Article 58.

#### ARTICLE 59.

Voted: No action under Article 59.

#### ARTICLE 60.

Voted: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, BREWSTER AVENUE, so-called, from Washington Street to Standish Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

#### ARTICLE 61.

Mr. Foley moved: That Article 61 be laid on the Table until we reach Article 64. Unanimous vote — 7:48.

## ARTICLE 62.

Voted: That Article 62 be referred to the Highway Department as a W.P.A. project.

## ARTICLE 63.

Voted: That Article 63 be referred to the Highway Department as a W.P.A. project.

Mr. Foley moved: That Article 61 be taken up at this time. Unanimous vote.

## ARTICLE 61.

Voted: That Article 61 be referred to the Highway Department as a W.P.A. project.

## ARTICLE 64.

Voted: That Article 64 be referred to the Water Department as a W.P.A. project.

## ARTICLE 65.

Voted: No action under Article 65. — 7:52.

Mr. Trainor moved: That Article 35 be taken from the table and considered with Article 66. So voted.

## ARTICLE 66 — ARTICLE 35.

Mr. Trainor moved: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$650.00 for the proper observance of Memorial Day in 1938 under the auspices of the following:—

Braintree Post No. 86, The American Legion  
Antietam Camp, Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Lenon-Murray Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War.

Not carried — 7:57.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$500, for the proper observance of Memorial Day in 1938.

## ARTICLE 67.

Voted: No action under Article 67.

## ARTICLE 68.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$750.00 for the maintenance of the Legion Building, so-called, and occupied by Braintree Post No. 86, The American Legion.

## ARTICLE 69.

The Committee appointed under Article 71 of the 1937 Annual Town Meeting rendered the following report:

“This committee was appointed to determine what areas are suitable for a Town Forest and to report its recommendations at the next Town Meeting. During the past year, the committee has met and conferred with reference to available sites and the members of the committee have examined several areas, with particular attention being given to areas near Great Pond, where the Town already owns substantial acreage under control of its Water Department.



The committee has conferred at length with the Water Board with reference to the advisability of designating that area as a Town Forest. In a joint conference with the Water Board, it was determined that inasmuch as the Water Board is now engaged in extensive projects directly connected with those areas, that it would be advisable to defer definite action as to the establishment of a Town Forest in that area until their work is substantially completed. The committee, therefore, desires to report progress and to ask that it be continued in office for another year and to report at the 1939 Annual Meeting. We therefore move that the committee be so continued in office.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HAROLD W. RIPLEY  
FRANK R. ARNOLD  
C. R. BESTICK  
RICHARD A. HUNT."

Voted: That the committee be so continued in office.

#### ARTICLE 70.

Voted: That Article 70 be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. project.

#### ARTICLE 71.

Voted: No action under Article 71.

Moderator William F. Rogers announced that the Special Town Meeting called for eight o'clock is in session and will run concurrently with the Annual Town Meeting,—8 P.M.

Annual Town Meeting —

#### ARTICLE 72.

Voted: No action under Article 72.

Mr. Jonathan French offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That this Town Meeting be recorded as against the proposed closing of the railroad station of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad at East Braintree and the proposed curtailment of the train service now furnished at the South Braintree and Braintree Highlands Stations of said railroad. Unanimous vote. 8:05.

#### ARTICLE 73.

Voted: No action under Article 73.

#### ARTICLE 74.

Voted: That the Town accept the Joseph S. Miller Fund; the income from said fund to be used for the care of the Miller lot in the Plain Street Cemetery.

#### ARTICLE 75.

Voted: No action under Article 75.

#### ARTICLE 77.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the expenses of the Planning Board.

## ARTICLE 78.

Voted: That Article 78 be referred to the next Annual Town Meeting. — 8:11.

## ARTICLE 79.

Voted: That Article 79 be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. project.

## ARTICLE 2.

Voted: That there be appointed a committee of five citizens, not more than two of them Town employees, to study and consider the advisability of placing under Chapter 31 of the General Laws as amended, headed, "Civil Service", any or all Town Employees. Said committee to make their recommendations at the next Annual Town Meeting. — 8:13.

Moved: That Article 13 be taken from the table. Unanimous vote.

## ARTICLE 13.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1410.48 for the payment of printing and distribution of the Annual Report of the Town of Braintree for 1937.

Mr. Foley moved: That the recommendation of the Finance Committee be followed when the Selectmen are satisfied with the number of Town Reports and the delivery of the reports are completed. Carried — 8:18 P.M.

## ARTICLE 2.

Voted: The Selectmen are hereby appointed as a committee to see to it that hereafter the portion of the Town Report known as the Accountant's Report shall be compiled in such a way as to show the name of every company and person, except welfare recipients, who receive over \$25. from the Town during the year, the purpose for which the money was paid, the amount paid, and the appropriation to which it was charged.

Voted: The Selectmen are hereby appointed as a committee to see to it that the Annual Town Report shall be expanded to include:

1. A report of their own doings as required by the State law, Section 49 of Chapter 40.
2. A report of the Town Counsel which shall be similar in form to that which appears in the annual reports of the town of Belmont.
3. A report of the Board of Assessors, such as they submitted annually previous to 1936.
4. A report from the Board of Registrars of Voters similar to that appearing in the town report of Weymouth.
5. A report of the Board of Public Welfare in sufficient detail to give the taxpayers a true picture of the welfare situation.
6. A report of the W.P.A. authorities in sufficient detail to give the taxpayers a true picture of the W.P.A. situation.

Carried — 8:24.

The following Resolution was offered:

WHEREAS the Town voted last year to restore full salaries as of July 1 and



WHEREAS figures in the Annual Town report indicate that several Town officials received their full salaries for the full year,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Selectmen are hereby directed to see to it that such excess salaries be returned to the Town treasury.  
Carried — 8:25.

Mr. Higgins informed the Town that it will be impossible to take any action on the foregoing resolution as the bills have already been paid and there is nothing left to be paid.

Mr. Palmer moved: That we take Article 21, Section 3 from the table. Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 21.

Item 3 — Selectmen's Expenses.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$3,500.00 for Selectmen's Expenses.

Voted: That Article 21, Item 13 — Pensions — be taken from the table. Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 21 — Item 13.

PENSIONS

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the following sums for retirement pensions:

J. H. Annis.....	1937.....	\$220.65	
	1938.....	480.00	\$700.65
J. W. Mulcahy .....	1937.....	\$22.18	
	1938.....	1,375.00	1,397.18
J. Cullinan .....	1937.....	\$46.48	
	1938.....	910.00	956.48
E. C. Holyoke from April 1, 1938 .....			466.74
O. B. Oakman from Mar. 10, 1938 .....			1,023.59
H. W. Macomber from Feb. 4, 1938 .....			435.71

ARTICLE 37 — Snow Removal

Moved: That Article 37—Snow Removal—be taken from the table. Unanimous vote.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$16,000.00 for Snow Removal for the year 1938. — 8:30.

Mr. Palmer moved: Reconsideration on Article 35. Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 35.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$18,850.00 for Soldiers' Relief.

Mr. Anderson moved: Reconsideration on Article 49. Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 49.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$810.00 to construct a sidewalk on MIDDLE STREET, from Elm Street to No.



105 Middle Street, a distance of approximately 1,205 feet on the west side.

Mr. Palmer moved: Reconsideration of Article 36. Unanimous vote.

#### ARTICLE 36.

Voted: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1170.00 for the salary of an Old Age Investigator for 39 weeks. Carried 8:36.

The Special Committee appointed to ascertain the facts relative to overdrafts reported in detail.

Mr. Anderson moved: That the report of the Special Committee appointed to ascertain the facts relative to overdrafts be accepted, and that the committee be continued with authority to investigate any and all of the expenditures of Town funds made during 1937 and up to the time of the Town Meeting of 1938. Unanimous vote — 9:25.

Mr. Anderson moved: That the Selectmen be and hereby are instructed to place in the hands of the District Attorney a copy of the report submitted to this Town meeting by the special committee appointed to ascertain the facts relative to overdrafts and that the District Attorney be requested to take appropriate action.

Mr. Ira Young offered an amendment: That the words "Vigorous and prompt" be added. Carried 9:29.

The original motion made by Mr. Anderson, as amended, carried unanimously.

Mr. Morrison reported on Referendum No. 3 on the ballot and offered the following motion: That the Committee appointed by the Moderator as authorized by vote of the Town on March 7, 1938, be, and hereby is, empowered to continue its studies regarding a Controller's Department for the Town of Braintree, with free access to the books of the Town's several departments and be further authorized to prepare plans for the installation and operation of a Controller's Department in the Town of Braintree and to make application to the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts to permit the Town of Braintree to set up and operate such a department. Voted — 9:33.

The following Resolution was offered:

WHEREAS the citizens of Braintree here assembled, believe that Mr. Avery has in too many cases acted in a manner detrimental to the best interests of the tax payers;

BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the wish of this meeting that Mr. Avery resign promptly all the Town offices he now holds.

Carried — 9:37.

Mr. Trainor reported for the Committee on a War Memorial and made a report of progress.

Moved: That the Committee on the War Memorial be continued. So voted — 9:38.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

##### ARTICLE 1.

Voted: That action under this article be referred to the various departments for their recommendations. Carried — 9:45.

##### ARTICLE 2.

Voted: That the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to sell property, the title to which has been acquired by the Town under tax

title foreclosure procedure, at public auction pursuant to a notice of such sale published in one or more newspapers published in the Town, at least one week before the date of said sale, and to execute such deeds or instruments of conveyance as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote. — 9:46.

### ARTICLE 3.

Voted: No action under Article 3.

Appropriations to be raised by taxation .....	\$1,034,207.50
Appropriations not in tax levy .....	130,922.33
Total Appropriations .....	<u>\$1,165,129.83</u>

Mr. Palmer moved: That the Annual and Special Town Meeting be adjourned. So voted — 9:50 P.M.

A true copy. Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM  
Town Clerk.

### WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall,  
Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue,  
Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street,

TUESDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1938  
at five forty-five o'clock, A.M. for the following purposes:

GOVERNOR, for this Commonwealth; LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, for this Commonwealth; SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, for this Commonwealth; TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL, for this Commonwealth; AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH, for this Commonwealth; ATTORNEY GENERAL, for this Commonwealth; REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, for 13th Congressional District; COUNCILLOR, for 2nd Councillor District; SENATOR, for Norfolk Senatorial District; 1 REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, for 6th Norfolk Representative District; DISTRICT ATTORNEY, for Norfolk County District; COUNTY COMMISSIONER, for Norfolk County; SHERIFF, for Norfolk County:

And for the election of the following officers:

2 DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

18 DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 5:45 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, in three public places in each voting precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said twentieth day of September



1938, and by publishing the same once in each week for two successive weeks in The Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

HENRY D. HIGGINS, Chairman  
ALBERT E. ROBERTS, Clerk  
Selectmen of Braintree.

A True Copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., September 8, 1938

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

#### STATE PRIMARY

Braintree, Mass., Sept. 20, 1938

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the voters assembled in the several precincts to cast their ballots for the various State and County Officers enumerated on said ballot.

The polls were opened in all precincts at 5:45 A.M. and were closed at 7 o'clock P.M.

The following Election Officers served:

PRECINCT 1. J. Frank Lane, Warden; Charles H. Tobey, Clerk; Inez K. Monaghan; Joseph D'Arigo; George H. Cain; Harry W. Lindsay, Constable; Michael P. Novelline; Charles H. Roberts; James B. Foley; John J. Doyle; Edward J. Sullivan; Everett F. Russell; George L. Abell; Sarah I. Drummond; Gerard A. McMorris; Frank H. Borden.

PRECINCT 2. George A. Arnold, Warden; Joseph W. Sullivan, Clerk; George K. Moorehead, Constable; Olive W. Batchelder; Ethel M. Murray; Mabel L. Cox; Ruth Nelson; Ruth Tilden; Herbert L. Sears; Frank Mischler; Harold T. Drinkwater; Harry F. Vinton, Sr.; David Chapman; Francis Mahar.

PRECINCT 3. Thomas F. Cassidy, Warden; William J. Quinlin, Clerk; Herbert K. Jeffers, Constable; Ruth E. Chenette; Inez L. McIsaac; Elizabeth Silver; Ethel O. Bloom; Mary C. Johnson; William Clement Brooks; Michael Smith; Kenneth J. Kelley; Margaret Halloran; Charles F. Durgin; Andrew E. Maguire; Edward J. Smith.

At the close of the polls, the ballots were assorted, the vote of each political party counted separately, recorded and sealed according to law, after which they were forwarded to the office of the Town Clerk, where the figures were tabulated and the result announced.



The result of the ballot was as follows:—

Republican ballots cast .....	4087
Democratic ballots cast .....	516
Union ballots cast .....	4

Total number of ballots cast .....	4607
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For nomination of candidates for:

#### GOVERNOR

Frederick Butler (R) .....	116
James M. Curley (D) .....	150
Joseph M. Heffernan (U) .....	3
Charles F. Hurley (D) .....	194
Francis E. Kelly (D) .....	109
Francis E. Kelley (U) .....	1
William H. McMasters (R) .....	375
Richard M. Russell (D) .....	52
Leverett Saltonstall (R) .....	3044
Richard Whitcomb (R) .....	324

#### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Dewey G. Archambault (R) .....	36
James Henry Brennan (D) .....	138
Horace T. Cahill (R) .....	3012
Edward T. Collins (D) .....	78
J. Watson Flett (R) .....	29
F. Joseph Harney (U) .....	2
Charles P. Howard (R) .....	107
Kenneth D. Johnson (R) .....	720
Alexander F. Sullivan (D) .....	63
Joseph C. White (D) .....	149
Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. (R) .....	58
William P. Yoerg (D) .....	21
Scattering .....	1

#### SECRETARY

William J. Ahearne (D) .....	52
John M. Bresnahan (D) .....	47
Henry Clay (D) .....	31
Frederic W. Cook (R) .....	3477
Katherine A. Foley (D) .....	113
John E. Spillane (U) .....	1
William F. Sullivan (D) .....	99
John H. Wallace (D) .....	71

#### TREASURER

William F. Barrett (D) .....	67
Ernest Joseph Brown (D) .....	32
William H. Burke, Jr. (D) .....	31
Alonzo B. Cook (R) .....	1375
Joseph W. Doherty (D) .....	74
Owen Gallagher (D) .....	102
John Frederick Harkins (D) .....	26
Daniel J. Honan (D) .....	18
John J. Hurley (R) .....	176
William E. Hurley (R) .....	2031
Ralph D. Jackson (U) .....	2
John J. McGrath (D) .....	61
Scattering .....	1

## AUDITOR

John J. Barry (D) .....	43
Thomas H. Buckley (D) .....	333
Carl D. Goodwin (R) .....	1229
Leo D. Walsh (D) .....	70
Ralph S. Williams (U) .....	2
Russell A. Wood (R) .....	1822

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

Howe Coolidge Amee (R) .....	775
Clarence A. Barnes (R) .....	1382
Paul A. Dever (D) .....	432
John Joseph Murphy (U) .....	2
Frank F. Walters (R) .....	694
Scattering .....	1

## CONGRESSMAN 13th DISTRICT

Andrew T. Clancy (D) .....	392
Richard B. Wigglesworth (R) .....	3488

## COUNCILLOR 2nd DISTRICT

Christian A. Burkard (R) .....	1020
Christian A. Burkard (U) .....	1
John Joseph Cheever (D) .....	48
James A. Cresswell (D) .....	28
Clayton L. Havey (R) .....	579
Francis M. Kelly (D) .....	130
Timothy Lyons, Jr. (D) .....	79
William J. MacHale (R) .....	114
Thomas C. McGrath (D) .....	48
David S. McIntosh (R) .....	1450
Clement A. Riley (D) .....	20
Sidney Rosenberg (R) .....	43
John J. Sawtelle (D) .....	45
Louis Shindler (D) .....	6
Thomas Walter Taylor (R) .....	229

## SENATOR (Norfolk District)

Arno Fabrizio (D) .....	361
Avery W. Gilkerson (R) .....	1238
John D. Mackay (R) .....	2382

## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

(Sixth Norfolk District)

Joseph P. Barrett (D) .....	303
Henry W. Grady (R) .....	451
John F. Leetch (D) .....	138
Raymond P. Palmer (R) .....	1734
Albert E. Roberts (R) .....	1635
John M. Southwick (R) .....	129

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY (Southeastern District)

Edmund R. Dewing (R) .....	2936
Alonzo Bartlett Greene (D) .....	177
Daniel L. Kelleher, Jr. (D) .....	210
Joseph G. Schumb (R) .....	555

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Norfolk County)

Robert R. Bishop (R) .....	784
William S. Farmer (R) .....	511
Francis P. Kelley (D) .....	403
Frederick A. Leavitt (R) .....	1873

## SHERIFF (Norfolk County)

Louis K. Badger (R) .....	889
Russell T. Bates (R) .....	787
Robert S. Cutler (D) .....	218
Daniel J. Flood (D) .....	156
Frederick A. Holbrook (R) .....	404
Herbert F. Perry (R) .....	28
Samuel H. Wragg (R) .....	1661

## DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

Francis M. O'Rourke (D) .....	214
John M. Sullivan (D) .....	157
George J. O'Brien (D) .....	202
Scattering (D) .....	2
Horace T. Cahill (R) .....	3236
William F. Rogers (R) .....	2895
Mary D. Learned (R) .....	3004
George A. Walker (R) .....	2873
Albert L. Rice (R) .....	3017
William R. Long (R) .....	2861
James E. Folsom (R) .....	2977
George A. Hitchcock (R) .....	2835
Walter E. Delorey (R) .....	3017
Frank C. Allen (R) .....	2860
Walter B. Skinner (R) .....	3056
Richard A. Hunt (R) .....	2875
Helen M. Ellsworth (R) .....	3009
Jessie MacGregor (R) .....	2850
William J. Connell (R) .....	3007
Norris H. Pinault (R) .....	2868
John H. Stenberg (R) .....	3021
Jonathan W. French (R) .....	2895

A true copy. Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,  
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree:  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree,

On Monday, the tenth day of October, 1938, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:



## ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate additional amounts of money for Public Welfare, Relief, Old Age Assistance, Soldiers' Relief, Aid to Dependent Children, Town Infirmary, Highway Department, School Department, Tree Warden's Department, Town Hall Maintenance, Town Clerk's Department, Plain Street Cemetery, Fire Alarm Department, Insurance, W.P.A. Department, Police Department, Election Expense, Health and Sanitation, Board of Registrars, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, as most recently amended by Chapter 57 of the Acts of 1938, for the purposes of providing funds to meet such appropriations; such borrowing in no event to exceed the amount of the tax titles held in excess of the amount owing to the Commonwealth for similar loans Previously Made; or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 2.

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the use of the following departments: Public Welfare Relief, Old Age Assistance, Soldiers' Relief, Aid to Dependent Children, Town Infirmary, Highway Department, School Department, Tree Warden's Department, Town Hall Maintenance, Town Clerk's Department, Plain Street Cemetery, Fire Alarm Department, Insurance, W.P.A. Department, Police Department, Election Expenses, Health and Sanitation, Board of Registrars, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise, or borrow, and appropriate two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars, for the purpose of paying by the School Department, tuition charges for the trade training of residents of Braintree in trade schools, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise, or borrow, and appropriate (\$600.00) dollars, for the continuance of the Dental Clinic by the Board of Health, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 5.

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the purpose of making necessary repairs occasioned because of the storm, to its School property, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 6.

ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to install a new heating system in the Legion Building, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same; or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 7.

ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to repair the roof on the Legion Building which was damaged by the recent storm and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 8.

To hear and act upon the report of the Special Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting in March 1938 to investigate overdrafts and other expenses of the Town.

## ARTICLE 9.

ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, WYNOT ROAD, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, for a distance of approximately 643 feet easterly from Washington Street, and appropriate a sum of money for the material cost, etc., under the provisions of a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 9.

ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, BRADLEY ROAD, so-called, from Cleveland Avenue to Cross Street, a distance of 425 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 11.

ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, CARTER ROAD, so-called from Pond Street 426.5 feet southerly, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 12.

ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, ELLSWORTH STREET, so-called, from West Street to Mt. Vernon Street, a distance of 520 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

## ARTICLE 13.

To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for Town Ways, the following streets, as laid out by the Selectmen, or take any action relative thereto:—ADOLPH ROAD, from Commercial Street 260 feet east; ARNOLD STREET, from Middle Street 1260 feet north; BICKFORD ROAD, from Newton Street to present line of acceptance; BROOKSIDE ROAD, from Stetson Street to Commercial Street; CEDARCLIFF ROAD, from Quincy Avenue to Shaw Street; CONRAD STREET, from Robert Street to Quincy line; FERNCROFT ROAD, from Pleasant View Avenue to Trefton Drive; HAMILTON STREET, from Miller Street 590 feet north; HEWMASON ROAD, from Bellevue Road to Cliff Road; HOLDEN ROAD, from Commercial Street 500 feet west; MARIETTA AVENUE, from Dewey Road to Hayward Street; MILLER STREET, from Union Street to Marshall Street; NEWTON AVENUE, from Shaw Street to Bickford Road; NEWTON STREET, from Bickford Road to Newton Avenue; PLEASANT VIEW AVENUE, from present line of acceptance to Venus Road; ROBERT STREET, from Elmlawn Road to Conrad Street; SHEPPARD AVENUE, East Braintree, from present line of acceptance to Shaw Street; TREFTON DRIVE, from Argyle Road to Vinedale Road; WAMPATUCK ROAD, from Washington Street 800 feet west; WATSON STREET, from Marshall Street 745 feet south; WESTON AVENUE, from Washington Street to Norton Street; RUSSELL ROAD, from Washington Street to the last house.

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof on three public places in each voting precinct in said Town of Braintree ten days at least before said tenth day of October, 1938, and by publishing the same once in each week for two successive weeks in The Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due returns of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.



Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

HENRY D. HIGGINS, Chairman  
ALBERT E. ROBERTS, Clerk  
Selectmen of the Town of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., September 29th, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., September 30th, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I have hereby notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

October 10, 1938.

A Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Town Clerk, Ernest C. Woodsum. Voters checked on entering the building—338 present.

Moderator William F. Rogers being absent on account of illness, the Town Clerk declared that nominations were in order for the election of a Moderator pro tem. Mr. Edward Palmer nominated Mr. George L. Anderson. Mr. James Jenkins, Jr., moved that the nominations be closed.—So voted.

As this vote was required to be by ballot, Mr. Jenkins cast one ballot for Mr. George L. Anderson for the office of Moderator pro tem. The Town Clerk, Ernest C. Woodsum, then administered the oath of office to George L. Anderson.

Mr. A. C. Bartlett, chairman of the Finance Committee, spoke of the good work being accomplished by the various departments and especially of the excellent job done during the hurricane emergency.

#### ARTICLE 1.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the following sums of money for Public Welfare Relief, Old Age Assistance, Soldiers' Relief, Aid to Dependent Children, Town Infirmary, Highway Department, School Department, Tree Warden's Department, Town Hall Maintenance, Town Clerk's Department, Plain Street Cemetery, Fire Alarm Department, Insurance, W.P.A. Department, Police Department, Election Expenses, Health and Sanitation, Board of Registrars:



1. Public Welfare Relief:
  - Automobile Repairs and Expense.....\$ 200.00
  - Temporary Aid ..... 9,500.00
2. Old Age Assistance:
  - Aid to Recipients..... 7,500.00
3. Soldiers' Relief:
  - Office Expense ..... 25.00
  - Automobile Expense ..... 75.00
  - Aid to Recipients..... 4,000.00
  - Military Aid ..... 470.00
  - State Aid and Burials..... 260.00
4. Aid to Dependent Children..... 2,000.00
5. Town Infirmary:
  - Maintenance and Repairs..... 900.00
  - Repairs to Roof..... 980.00
6. Highway Department:
  - Repairs to Equipment..... 410.00
  - W.P.A. Supplies and Expenses..... 1,000.00
7. School Department—Action taken under Article 2.
8. Tree Warden—Action taken under Article 2.
9. Town Hall Maintenance—Action taken under Article 2.
10. Town Clerk—Action taken under Article 2.
11. Plain Street Cemetery:
  - Expenses—Plain Street Cemetery..... 60.00
12. Fire Alarm Department:
  - Repairs and Extensions..... 850.00
13. Insurance—Action taken under Article 2.
14. W.P.A. Department:
  - Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses..... 1,680.00
  - Voted: The appropriation of \$900.00 for the Town's share of a W.P.A. Project for the installation of a new heating system in the Legion Building..... 900.00
15. Police Department—Action taken under Article 2.
16. Election Expenses—Action taken under Article 2.
17. Health and Sanitation—Action taken under Article 2.
18. Board of Registrars—Action taken under Article 2.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$30,810.00 in the amounts as previously voted in the affirmative for Public Welfare Relief, Old Age Assistance, Soldiers' Relief, Aid to Dependent Children, Town Infirmary, Highway Department, Plain Street Cemetery, Fire Alarm Department, W.P.A. Department and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, as most recently amended by Chapter 57 of the Acts of 1938, for the purpose of providing funds to meet such appropriations; such borrowing in no event to exceed the amount of the tax titles held in excess of the amount owing to the Commonwealth for similar loans previously made. Unanimous vote—8:10.

## ARTICLE 2.

Voted: To appropriate and transfer from available funds the following sums of money for use of the Highway Department, School Department, Town Hall Maintenance, Town Clerk, Cemetery, Insurance, Election Expenses, Police Department, Board of Health, Tree Warden:

1. Highway Department:
  - Supplies .....\$ 175.00
  - Repairs to Equipment..... 2,087.83

Voted: That the following be transferred from the Highway Department balances:

Gasoline and Oil.....	\$1,500.00
Wildwood Avenue .....	186.83
Middle Street .....	54.01
Union Street .....	111.99
Arbutus Avenue .....	410.00

Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for construction of Church and Center Streets under the provisions of Chapter 90, General Laws, the same to be transferred from the following balance in 1938 appropriations:

Sewer House Connection Account.....	\$2,500.00
South West School Construction Account.....	500.00

2. School Department:

Voted: That the School Department be authorized to expend as required for School Department purposes, the balances standing in the appropriations for 1938 for School Department Salaries, Text-books and Supplies and Expenses.

3. Town Hall Maintenance:

Supplies and Expenses.....	\$400.00
Repairs to Roof.....	442.00
Chain-Link Fence .....	400.00
Repairs to Floor—Lower Hall.....	100.00
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	\$1,342.00

Voted: That the amount of \$1,342.00 appropriated under item 3, Article 2, be transferred from the Selectmen's Expense Account.

4. Town Clerk—Clerical Help:

Voted: That the sum of \$180.00 be transferred from Selectmen's Expense Account for Town Clerk—Clerical Help.

5. Cemetery—No appropriation.

6. Insurance:

Auto Liability .....	\$118.78
Burglary .....	157.60
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	\$ 276.38

Voted: That the sum of \$276.38 appropriated under item 6, Article 2, be transferred from the balance in the Employees' Compensation Insurance.

7. Election and Expenses.

Voted: That the sum of \$115.00 be transferred from the balance in the Employees' Compensation Insurance Account for Election Expenses.

8. Police Department:

Extra Pay of Men.....	\$385.20
Auto Expense, Supplies, Laundry, Matron and	
Misc. Expense .....	100.00
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	\$ 485.20

Voted: That the sum of \$485.20 appropriated under item 8, Article 2, be transferred from the balance in the Employees' Compensation Insurance Account.

9. Registrars: Expenses—

Voted: That the sum of \$50.00 be transferred from the balance in the South West School Appropriation for Registrars—Expenses.



## 10. Board of Health:

For Plumbing Inspection—to be transferred from Garbage Collection Account.....	\$500.00
For Miscellaneous Expenses—to be transferred from Zoning Committee Account.....	50.00
For Dental Clinic—to be transferred from Zoning Committee Account .....	298.75

## 11. Tree Warden: Mr. Bartlett moved—No appropriation under this item.

Mr. C. Earle Bestick moved the following amendment: That the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated for the Emergency Care of Trees.—Not carried.—8:33.

Mr. C. Earle Bestick moved: That the sum of \$148.00 be appropriated and transferred from the South West School Construction Account for the Emergency Care of Trees. Not carried.

## ARTICLE 3.

No action necessary under this Article as it was cared for under Article 2.

## ARTICLE 4.

No action necessary under this Article as it was cared for under Article 2.

## ARTICLE 5.

No action necessary under this Article as it was cared for under Article 2.

## ARTICLE 6.

No action necessary under this Article as it was cared for under Article 1.

## ARTICLE 7.

Voted: That the Town repair the roof on the Legion Building which was damaged by the recent storm and appropriate the sum of \$57.23 for same to be transferred from available balances as follows:

Fire Department Chief's Car.....	\$18.65
Salary—Old Age Administrator.....	38.58
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	\$ 57.23

## ARTICLE 8.

Mr. Anderson, Moderator pro tem, resigned the chair to the Town Clerk in order to make a report of the Special Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1938, to investigate overdrafts and other expenses of the Town.

Mr. Anderson reported on the progress made by the Committee and read excerpts from the Report of an Audit of the Accounts of the Town of Braintree as made by the State. This gave a general idea of the conditions found on the Town books. He stated that the Committee was not prepared to furnish a complete report of their activities at this time but it is their intention to have a complete report of 1937 expenditures as compared to 1938 expenditures and comment on the operation of the various departments during the past two years. It was recommended that the Town Clerk publish the written portion of the Report of an Audit of the Accounts of the Town of Braintree as made by the State.



Voted: That this Committee be continued until the next Annual Town Meeting.

At this time it was brought to the attention of the Town that since our last Annual Town Meeting we have lost one of our most valued citizens, Mr. William H. J. Fitzgerald, who has spent a great deal of his time serving the town faithfully in many capacities and always had the Town's interest at heart.

The citizens assembled, representing the Town, stood for one minute in silent prayer, as an acknowledgment of his services to us.

#### ARTICLE 9.

Voted: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, WYNOT ROAD, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, for a distance of approximately 643 feet easterly from Washington Street, same to be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. Project.

#### ARTICLE 10.

Voted: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, BRADLEY ROAD, so-called, from Cleveland Avenue to Cross Street, a distance of 425 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen, same to be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. Project.

#### ARTICLE 11.

Voted: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, CARTER ROAD, so-called, from Pond Street 426.5 feet southerly, as laid out by the Selectmen, same to be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. Project.

#### ARTICLE 12.

Voted: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, ELLSWORTH STREET, so-called, from West Street to Mt. Vernon Street, a distance of 520 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen, same to be referred to the Highway Department for a W.P.A. Project.

#### ARTICLE 13.

Voted: That the Town accept as and for Town Ways the following streets, as laid out by the Selectmen:

ADOLPH ROAD, from Commercial Street 260 feet east.

ARNOLD STREET, from Middle Street 1,260 feet north.

BICKFORD ROAD, from Newton Street to present line of acceptance.

BROOKSIDE ROAD, from Stetson Street to Commercial Street.

CEDARCLIFF ROAD, from Quincy Avenue to Shaw Street.

CONRAD STREET, from Robert Street to Quincy line.

FERNCROFT ROAD, from Pleasant View Avenue to Trefton Drive.

HAMILTON STREET, from Miller Street 590 feet north.

HEWMASON ROAD, from Bellevue Road to Cliff Road.

HOLDEN ROAD, from Commercial Street 500 feet west.

MARIETTA AVENUE, from Dewey Road to Hayward Street.

MILLER STREET, from Union Street to Marshall Street.

NEWTON AVENUE, 750 feet east from Shaw Street.

NEWTON STREET, from Bickford Road to Newton Avenue.

PLEASANT VIEW AVENUE, from present line of acceptance to Venus Road.

ROBERT STREET, from Elmlawn Road to Conrad Street.

SHEPPARD AVENUE, East Braintree, from present line of acceptance to Shaw Street.

TREFTON DRIVE, from Argyle Road to Vinedale Road.

WAMPATUCK ROAD, from Washington Street 800 feet west.

WATSON STREET, from Marshall Street 745 feet south.

WESTON AVENUE, from Washington Street to Norton Street.

RUSSELL ROAD, from Washington Street to the last house.

Mr. Anderson stated that the next Annual Town Meeting will convene under the Representative Town Meeting System and urged all citizens to do their duty by the Representative Town Meeting form carefully and honestly.

Mr. Hubbard moved: That the Town Meeting instruct the Town Clerk to express to the Moderator, William F. Rogers, our sympathy for his enforced absence this evening. So voted.

Motion to adjourn—Not carried 9:30.

Mr. Albert E. Roberts stated his belief that the Town was losing money through not taking advantage of funds offered by the government for W.P.A. Projects.

Mr. Howard B. Blewett informed the meeting that the School Committee have submitted a program to Washington on school buildings under a W.P.A. Project which is being considered at the present time.

Mr. Roger Lakin moved that the meeting adjourn. So voted 9:35.

A true copy.

Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,

Town Clerk.

## WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

November 8, 1938

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in election therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall.

Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue.

Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House Allen Street.

On Tuesday, the eighth day of November, 1938, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts, their votes on the official ballot for Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General; Representative in Congress; Councillor; Senator; Representative in General Court, 6th Norfolk District; District Attorney; County Commissioner; Sheriff.

Also to vote on the following questions on the same ballot.



Question No. 1

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Shall an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial sessions of the General Court and for a biennial budget which is further described as follows:

This amendment annuls all existing provisions of the Constitution and its prior amendments which require annual sessions of the General Court, commonly known as the Legislature, and provides for biennial sessions in their place. It also provides that the budget of all proposed expenditures of the Commonwealth shall be so prepared as to cover two fiscal years instead of only one as at present required,—which proposed amendment was approved by the General Court and a joint session of the two branches held May 27, 1936, received 141 votes in the affirmative and 117 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held May 19, 1937, received 158 votes in the affirmative and 112 in the negative,—be ap-  
proved.

YES	
NO	

Question No. 2

LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Shall the proposed measure which provides that in any city or town which accepts its terms, the licensing authorities shall establish free public taxicab stands for the use of all taxicabs and motor vehicles for hire whose owners are licensed within such city or town, and shall abolish all other forms of taxicab stands on any public highway within such city or town,—which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 96 in the affirmative and 109 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 4 in the affirmative and 35 in the negative,—be approved?

YES	
NO	

Question No. 3

To obtain a full expression of opinion, voters should vote on all three of the following questions:—

- (a) If a voter desires to permit the sale in this town of any and all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on and off the premises where sold, he will vote “Yes” on all three questions.
- (b) If he desires to permit the sale herein of wines and malt beverages only to be drunk on or off the premises where sold, he will vote “No” on question one, “Yes” on question two and “No” on question three.
- (c) If he desires to permit the sale herein of all alcoholic beverages but only in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises where sold, he will vote “No” on questions one and two and “Yes” on question three.
- (d) If he desires to permit the sale herein of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on and off the premises where sold and in addition other alcoholic beverages but only in packages so called, not to be drunk on the premises where sold, he will vote “No” on question one and “Yes” on question two and three.
- (e) If he desires to prohibit the sale herein of any and all alcoholic beverages whether to be drunk on or off the premises where sold, he will vote “No” on all three questions.

1. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines, and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES	
NO	

2. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES	
NO	

3. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES	
NO	

#### Question No. 4

1. Shall the pari-mutuel system of betting on licensed horse races be permitted in this county?

YES	
NO	

2. Shall the pari-mutual system of betting on licensed dog races be permitted in this county?

YES	
NO	

And the polls will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said eighth day of November, 1938, and by publishing the same once each week for two successive weeks in The Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

HENRY D. HIGGINS, Chairman,  
ALBERT E. ROBERTS, Clerk,  
Selectmen of the Town of Braintree.

A True Copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., October 26th, 1938.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned, for the purpose therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Constable of Braintree.

#### STATE ELECTION

Braintree, Mass., November 8, 1938.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the voters of the Town of Braintree assembled in their several Precincts to cast their ballots for Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General; Congressman; Councillor; Senator; 1 Representative



in General Court; District Attorney; 1 County Commissioner; Sheriff; also to vote yes or no on each of the several questions.

The official ballots were delivered to the Wardens of the several precincts and receipted for.

The polls were opened in all Precincts at 5:45 o'clock A.M. and were closed at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following election officers served:

PRECINCT 1. J. Frank Lane, Warden; Charles H. Tobey, Clerk; John J. Doyle; Gerard A. McMorris; George H. Cain; Everett F. Russell; Charles H. Roberts; Edward J. Sullivan; Frank H. Borden; Roland H. Whitman; Michael P. Novelline; George L. Abell; Sarah I. Drummond; Inez K. Monaghan; Joseph D'Arigo; Harry W. Lindsay, Constable.

PRECINCT 2. George A. Arnold, Warden; Joseph W. Sullivan, Clerk; Olive W. Batchelder; Ethel M. Murray; Mabel L. Cox; Ruth E. Nelson; Ruth C. Tilden; Herbert L. Sears; Frank J. Mischler; Harold T. Drinkwater; Harry F. Vinton, Sr.; Mae E. Haynes; Katherine Wynot; Gustaf Arnoldson, Jr.; Albert A. Berry; George K. Moorhead, Constable.

PRECINCT 3. Thomas F. Cassidy, Warden; William J. Quinlan, Clerk; Ruth E. Chenette; Inez L. McIsaac; Elizabeth A. Silver; Ethel O. Bloom; Mary C. Johnson; Edward J. Smith; Michael Smith; Kenneth J. Kelley; Margaret A. Halloran; Charles F. Durgin; Andrew E. Maguire; Mary E. Richards; Howard W. Kelland; Herbert K. Jeffers, Constable.

The ballots were counted, record made of the votes for each office, also the vote on each question submitted and the result declared in each precinct.

The ballots, records, check lists, etc., were sealed and labeled according to law and were then forwarded to the Town Clerk's office where the figures were tabulated and the result of the total votes announced.

The result of the vote was as follows:

Number of ballots cast in Precinct 1 .....	2595
Number of ballots cast in Precinct 2 .....	3007
Number of ballots cast in Precinct 3 .....	2611
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Total number in the entire town .....	8213

GOVERNOR

Henning A. Blomen (SL) .....	11
Roland S. Bruneau (I) .....	4
Jeffrey W. Campbell (S) .....	15
James M. Curley (D) .....	2362
William A. Davenport (I-TR) .....	9
Otis Archer Hood (C) .....	7
Charles L. Manser (SSG) .....	11
William H. McMasters (TRP) .....	29
Leverett Saltonstall (R) .....	5694
George L. Thompson (P) .....	13
Blanks .....	58
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Total .....	8213

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Manuel Blank (C)	12
James Henry Brennan (D)	1666
Horace T. Cahill (R)	6390
Freeman W. Follett (P)	16
Joseph F. Massidda (S)	18
George L. McGlynn (SL)	11
Blanks	100
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	8213

## SECRETARY

Frederic W. Cook (R)	5997
Hugo DeGregory (C)	92
Katherine A. Foley (D)	1809
Eileen O'Connor Lane (S)	32
Malcolm T. Rowe (SL)	29
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## TREASURER

Frank L. Asher (C)	22
Albert Sprague Coolidge (S)	56
Owen Gallagher (D)	1731
John J. Hurley (I)	130
William E. Hurley (R)	5975
Ralph Pirone (SL)	24
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## AUDITOR

Thomas H. Buckley (D)	2425
Michael C. Flaherty (S)	41
Horace I. Hillis (SL)	24
Michael Tuysuzian (C)	13
Guy S. Williams (P)	43
Russell A. Wood (R)	5344
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## ATTORNEY GENERAL

Clarence A. Barnes (R)	4932
Paul A. Dever (D)	2928
Joseph C. Figueiredo (C)	15
George F. Hogan (P)	20
Alfred Baker Lewis (S)	38
Fred E. Oelcher (SL)	18
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COUNCILLOR

Thirteenth District

Andrew T. Clancy (D)	1718
Richard B. Wigglesworth (R)	6223
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COUNCILLOR

Second District

Saul Friedman (S)	56
Clayton L. Havey (R)	5499
John J. Sawtelle (D)	2161
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SENATOR

Norfolk District

Arno Fabrizio (D)	1817
John D. Mackay (R)	5920
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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Sixth Norfolk District

Joseph P. Barrett (D)	2000
Henry W. Grady (ICC)	1255
Raymond P. Palmer (IR)	4699
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DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Southeastern District

Edmund R. Dewing (R)	5896
Daniel L. Kelleher, Jr. (D)	1952
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Norfolk County

Francis P. Kelley (D)	2342
Frederick A. Leavitt (R)	5402
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SHERIFF  
Norfolk County

Daniel J. Flood (D)	2178
Samuel H. Wragg (R)	5625
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QUESTION NO. 1

YES	3642
NO	2117
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QUESTION NO. 2

YES	3093
NO	3371
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QUESTION NO. 3

ITEM 1

YES	4084
NO	3213
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ITEM 2

YES	4153
NO	2970
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ITEM 3

YES	4783
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QUESTION NO. 4

ITEM 1

YES	3882
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ITEM 2

YES	3494
NO	3389
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A true copy. Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,  
Town Clerk.



No. 16732

Norfolk ss.

Superior Court

COMMONWEALTH

vs.

EDWARD AVERY

Copy of Record

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

At the Superior Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, holden at Dedham, within and for the County of Norfolk, on the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight and on other days and times between said first Monday in January, in said year, and the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

THE JURORS for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on their oath present that EDWARD AVERY, of Braintree, in the County of Norfolk, on the thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six at Braintree, in the County of Norfolk, being a municipal officer, to wit: a member of Board of Selectmen of the town of Braintree, did corruptly request and accept from one Max Pearlstein a gift and gratuity, to wit: money of the value of two hundred dollars, under an agreement and with an understanding that said Edward Avery should give his vote, opinion, and judgment in a particular manner and upon a particular side of a question, cause, and proceeding which was or might be by law brought before him in his official capacity and as a consideration for any speech, work, and service in connection therewith.

This indictment was returned at the April 1938 Sitting of this Court, when the defendant appears and having said indictment read to him and being asked whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence therein charged, for plea says he is not guilty.

And on the twenty-second day of April, 1938, the defendant waives his right to a trial by jury.

And on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1938, after hearing, the Court returns a finding of guilty.

And thereupon, the District Attorney moves the Court for sentence.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the said Edward Avery, convict as aforesaid, be punished by confinement at hard labor for the term of one year, and that said sentence be executed upon him in and within the precincts of the House of Correction in the town of Dedham, within and for the county of Norfolk, and that he stand committed until removed in pursuance of said sentence.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the said Edward Avery be further punished by the payment of a fine of one hundred dollars, to and for the uses provided by law, and that he stand committed until the same is paid.

And on the 28th day of April 1938, the Court orders the execution of said sentence stayed pending proceedings on exceptions or appeal.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, the time for filing exceptions is extended until the ninth day of May, 1938.

And on the ninth day of May, 1938, the said defendant files a Bill of Exceptions.

And on the twenty-ninth day of December, 1938, by rescript received from the Supreme Judicial Court the clerk is ordered to make the following entry in the docket in said case: "Exceptions overruled."

And on the thirtieth day of December, 1938, the order of stay of said sentence is revoked by the Court, and the defendant is committed.

A true copy of record:—

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Superior Court this eleventh day of January, 1938.

Court Seal.

WILLARD E. EVERETT,  
Assistant Clerk.

No. 16733

Norfolk ss.

Superior Court

COMMONWEALTH

vs.

EDWARD AVERY

Copy of Record

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

At the Superior Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, holden at Dedham, within and for the County of Norfolk, on the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight and on other days and times between said first Monday of January, in said year, and the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

THE JURORS for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on their oath present that EDWARD AVERY of Braintree in the County of Norfolk, on the tenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five at Braintree in the County of Norfolk, being a municipal officer, to wit: a member of the Board of Selectmen of the town of Braintree, did corruptly request and accept from one Wallace W. Wilson a gift and gratuity, to wit: money of the value of fifty dollars, under an agreement and with an understanding that said Edward Avery should give his vote, opinion, and judgment in a particular manner and upon a particular side of a question, cause, and proceeding, which was or might be by law brought before him in his official capacity, and as a consideration for any speech, work, and service in connection therewith.

This indictment was returned at the April 1938 Sitting of this Court, when the defendant appears and having said indictment read to him and being asked whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence therein charged, for plea says he is not guilty.

And on the twenty-second day of April 1938, the defendant waives his right to a trial by jury.



And on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1938, after hearing, the Court returns a finding of guilty.

And thereupon, the District Attorney moves the Court for sentence.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the said Edward Avery, convict as aforesaid, be punished by confinement at hard labor for the term of one year, and that said sentence be executed upon him in and within the precincts of the House of Correction in the town of Dedham, within and for the county of Norfolk, and that he stand committed until removed in pursuance of said sentence. (This sentence to be served concurrently with sentences in Nos. 16732 and 16735.)

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the said Edward Avery be further punished by the payment of a fine of one hundred dollars, to and for the uses provided by law, and that he stand committed until the same is paid.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, the Court orders the execution of said sentences stayed pending proceeding on exceptions or appeal.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, the time for filing exceptions is extended until the ninth day of May, 1938.

And on the ninth day of May, 1938, the said defendant files a Bill of Exceptions.

And on the twenty-ninth day of December, 1938, by rescript received from the Supreme Judicial Court, the clerk is ordered to make the following entry on the docket in said case: "Exceptions overruled."

And on the thirtieth day of December, 1938, the order of stay of said sentence is revoked by the Court, and the defendant is committed.

A true copy of record:—

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Superior Court this eleventh day of January, 1939.

Court Seal.

WILLARD E. EVERETT,  
Assistant Clerk.

No. 16735

Superior Court

Norfolk, ss.

COMMONWEALTH

vs.

EDWARD AVERY

Copy of Record

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

At the Superior Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, holden at Dedham, within and for the County of Norfolk, for the transaction of criminal business, on the first Monday of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight and on other days and times between said first Monday of January, in said year,

and the first Monday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

THE JURORS for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on their oath present that EDWARD AVERY, of Braintree, in the County of Norfolk, on the thirty-first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four at Braintree in the County of Norfolk, being a municipal officer, to wit: a member of the Board of Selectmen of the town of Braintree, did corruptly request and accept from one Thomas Tyson, the Junior of said name, a gift and gratuity, to wit: money, of the value of one hundred dollars, under an agreement and with an understanding that said Edward Avery should give his vote, opinion, and judgment in a particular manner and upon a particular side of a question, cause and proceeding which was or might be by law brought before him in his official capacity, and as a consideration for any speech, work, and service in connection therewith.

#### SECOND COUNT:

And the JURORS, aforesaid, for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on their Oath, aforesaid, do further present, That EDWARD AVERY, of Braintree aforesaid, on the thirty-first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven at Braintree aforesaid, being a municipal officer, to wit: a member of the Board of Selectmen of the town of Braintree, did corruptly request and accept from one Thomas Tyson, the Junior of said name, a gift and gratuity, to wit: money, of the value of twenty-five dollars, under an agreement and with an understanding that said Edward Avery should give his vote, opinion, and judgment in a particular manner and upon a particular side of a question, cause, and proceeding, which was or might be by law brought before him in his official capacity, and as a consideration for any speech, work, and service in connection therewith.

This indictment was returned at the April 1938 Sitting of this Court, when the defendant appeared and having said indictment read to him and being asked whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offense therein charged, for plea says he is not guilty.

And on the twenty-second day of April, 1938, the defendant waives his right to a trial by jury.

And on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1938, after hearing, the Court returns a finding of guilty.

And thereupon, the District Attorney moves the Court for sentence.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the said Edward Avery, convict as aforesaid, be punished by confinement at hard labor for the term of one year, and that said sentence be executed upon him in and within the precincts of the House of Correction in the town of Dedham, within and for the county of Norfolk, and that he stand committed until removed in pursuance of said sentence. (This sentence to be served concurrently with sentence in Nos. 16732 and 16733.)

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the said Edward Avery be further punished by the payment of a fine of one hundred dollars, to and for the uses provided by law, and that he stand committed until the same is paid.

And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, the Court orders the execution of said sentences stayed pending proceedings on exceptions or appeal.



And on the twenty-eighth day of April, 1938, the time for filing exceptions is extended until the ninth day of May, 1938.

And on the ninth day of May, 1938, the said defendant files a Bill of Exceptions.

And on the twenty-ninth day of December, 1938, by rescript received from the Supreme Judicial Court, the clerk is ordered to make the following entry on the docket in said case: "Exceptions overruled."

And on the thirtieth day of December, 1938, the order of stay of sentence is revoked by the Court and the defendant is committed.

A true copy of record:—

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Superior Court this eleventh day of January, 1939.

WILLARD E. EVERETT,

Assistant Clerk.

Court Seal.

# Births in 1938

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## JANUARY

Date	Name	Parents' Names
1	Carmen Joseph Zanghi	Joseph A. and Evelyn M.
2	Patricia Alice Lundy	Robert H. and Josephine F.
3	Evelyn Marlene Wacks	Joseph S. and Minna
4	David Bruce Copp	Edgar L. and Isabelle
9	Cynthia May Cameron	James W. G. and Ruth M.
9	Mary Ann Benotti	Amelado P. and Nancy
12	William Edwin Skinner	Henry B. and Mary C.
13	Margaret Giannini	Alfred and Norma
14	Joan Ethel MacKenzie	George A. and Marion K.
14	Frank Sydney Killam	George S. and Lillian
17	Sally Ann Smith	William H. and Margaret
19	William Henry Robinson King	Lloyd C. and Phyllis A.
23	Margaret Eleanor Medico	Lorenzo A. and Margaret H.
23	Glenn Boyd Saunders	John B. and Inez L.
24	Paul Moore Knight	William J. and Barbara V.
25	Antonette Etta DeFrancesco	Michael and Rose
28	Robert Allen Fosdick	Charles W. and Ella E.
29	Sandra Jean Robinson	Robert and Helen
31	Patricia Ann Fletcher	Francis E. and Dorothy E.

## FEBRUARY

2	James Philip Murphy	Daniel E. and Helen A.
3	Erwin	Walter E. and Kathleen
7	Settles	John C. and Doris B.
8	Beverly Elizabeth Armstrong	Ralph and Dorothy E.
8	Joanna Catherine Hill	Frank M. and Ruth E.
10	Amy Louise Brown	Richard and Harriette
13	Joyce Evelyn Brooks	James E. and Alice E.
16	Judith Benson	Joseph P. and Barbara
20	Arthur Louis Dalton 2nd	Arthur L. and Anna M.
23	Anne Marie Vail	Harry C. and Hazel F.
24	Harrison Chandler Macomber	Harrison C. and Katherine L.
24	Ruth Downing	Walter E. and Mary M.
25	Roberta Ann D'Arigo	Joseph and Lillian
26	Gilbert Wilson	James and Ina
28	Carol Ann Collins	William H. and Mary

## MARCH

1	Paul Wayne Hastings	John W. and Mae
2	John David Hammond	Maynard and Hazel C.
2	Linda Marion Frazier	George L. and Linda J.
2	Dorean Cushing	Dean S. and Dorothy L.
5	Mary Mabel Commesso	Dominic and Mabel L.
10	Leo Francis Reardon	Timothy and Mildred E.
11	Amy Elvira Knowles	Howard and Amy
11	Anna Louise Cheverie	James G. and Annie E.
12	Alice Anita Nickerson	Frank L. and Emily G.
15	Anne Louise Mulvey	Gerald L. and Agnes E.



Date	Name	Parents' Names
15	Maria Domenica Colantonio	Francesco and Angela
16	Patricia Ann Hardy	Charles P. and Dorothy M.
17	Marjorie Jane Pearlstein	Max and Tina
17	Byron Cosman Swift, Jr.	Byron C. and Naomi C.
18	Patricia Katherine Johnson	Roy and Katherine
18	Fuller	James and Frances
19	Grace Josephine Triconi	Alphonso J. and Mary E.
19	Patricia D. Cheverie	James and Ruth
20	Kenneth John Shepard	George R. and Rachel A.
20	Charles MacKenzie Hedlund	John A. and Thelma C.
21	Jacquelin Wynot	Everett P. and Doris A.
21	June Ann Dorey	George and Averil
24	Elizabeth Jane Tenney	William F. and Elizabeth
26	George Austin Reed	Austin and Ruth
26	Janet Agnes Shawles	Stephen F. and Agnes
28	Kathleen Halloran	James F. and Anna P.
28	John Henry Cummings	John H. and Mary
29	Carol Ann Richardson	William F. and Grace
29	Judith Hurlburt Bryant	Gordon W. and Marjorie
29	Donald Glenn Kelsey	Dale C. and Esther B.
31	Georgia Swift	Joseph H. and Hilda

#### APRIL

1	Joan Fontoni	James and Gladys
1	Elizabeth Bernadette Gallagher	James F. and Helen F.
2	Melvin Thomas Hemeon	John H. and Rita F.
8	Lewis Howard Gould	Lewis H. and Marguerite
10	Robert Lyman Chick	Lyman W. and Pauline G.
13	Mary Louise Obst	Alfred J. and Helen C.
14	Joan Cunningham	Charles J. and Mary A.
14	John Ward Frazier	Francis and Vera
16	Patricia Rowe	Richard H. and Louise M.
17	Joan Marie Parent	Homer J. and Doris E.
20	Russell Forbes	Frederick and Beulah
20	David Alton Hall	Merton E. and Barbara
20	Robert Francis Griffin, Jr.	Robert F. and Catheryn M.
22	Peter Harris Burnham	Philip W. and Kathleen
24	Elizabeth Ann Galotti	John B. and Isabel S.
26	Peter Abbott Bennett	Charles M. and Margaret E.
27	Stillborn	
27	Janice Adele Collins	Charles and Eunice
30	Carmena Regina Dantuno	Egidio and Frances

#### MAY

5	John Flynn Shields	William F. and Alice B.
9	William David Atwood	Marsden and Elizabeth
11	Charles Edward Sylvester	Edward J. and Doris
13	Cynthia Sybil Jobling	Ernest E. and Dorothy S.
15	Josephine NicholSEN	John J. and Catherine S.
17	Linda Loring Vassar	Elmer W. and Marjorie
18	Ronald Henry Bivens	Hurmat N. and Rose V.
19	Philip Davis Hollis	Earl C. and Eleanor
21	Nelson	Frank E. and Ruth E.
22	Patricia Hardwick Davis	Paul S. and Leona B.
23	Barbara Parker Bradley	George L. and Florence
24	Dianne Mary Pitts	Charles W. and Mary C.
24	Dorothy Christine Keiser	Charles L. and Edith

Date	Name	Parents' Names
27	Marilyn Alice Bullock	George H. and Lillian A.
28	Alexander Carnathan	Alexander and Isabel C.
31	Richard Arthur Hatch	Richard A. and Olga J.

## JUNE

4	Janet Louise Liley	Telford T. and Louise E.
7	Katherine Christine Williams	George and Mary
7	Robert Peter Mattie	James and Rita R.
7	Richard Joseph Mattie	James and Rita R.
10	Virginia Margerete Williams	Harold D. and Helen R.
12	Wendy Robb McWilliam	William and Katherine
14	John Otto Meurch	Frederick W. and Ruth L.
15	Robert Louis Bates	Lewis S. and Irene H.
15	Roma Dorothea Wright	John L. and Roma
17	John Stanley Burgess	Maynard S. and Aileen
19	Elizabeth Adams Beaton	Frederick V. and Mary L.
20	Arthur John Erickson	John A. and Maria H.
21	Glen Clifton Everett	Henry A. and Dorothy C.
22	Agnes May Turner	George M. and Marie J.
24	Suzanne Walker	Deane R. and Natalie R.
24	George Hayden	George H. and Marion E.
25	Marjorie Anne Hannaford	Chester C. and Elizabeth F.
26	David Ramsay Johnston	John L. and Isabella
28	Clinton LeRoy McCarty	Warren F. and Pearl E.
28	Madeline Jane Van Cor	Walter E. and Hazel F.
29	William Alexander Smith	William and Julia
30	William Henry Russo, Jr.	William H. and Doris M.
30	James Phalen MacMillan	James P. and Catherine

## JULY

2	Anne Louise Ryan	Daniel B. and Ethel L.
2	Curtis Sides Litchfield	Alan and Mildred
4	Patricia Jane Gavin	William and Agnes B.
7	Arthur Leon Jones	Harold E. and Cecelia D.
8	Judith Marolyn Webber	Warren P. and Cora L.
8	Bertha Evelyn Scribner	Wilford H. and Theresa S.
9	Lloyd Dodge Tibbetts, Jr.	Lloyd D. and Ernestine P.
9	Clifford Victor Simpson	Peter W. and Vera I.
10	Richard Paul Adams	Harold A. and Cora E.
10	Claudia Concannon	Joseph L. and Angelina V.
10	Russell Mortimer Burbank	Lawrence A. and Dorothy B.
10	Ronald Edwin Bennett	Ernest E. and Mary M.
10	Bertil Robert Benson	Oscar F. and Gulli W.
10	Marcia Newson	Stanley and Irene
10	Ernest Stephen Southmayd Derby	Elmer G. and Lucy
14	Donald Neil Barnett	David S. and Arlene M.
15	Carol Shipman Joyce	Henry J. and Ruth G.
16	George Bowman Hutchinson, Jr.	George and Athena
16	Robert Burke	Edward J. and Gladys B.
17	Robert Wayne Sawler	Alfred E. and Yolanda A.
17	Charles Graziano, Jr.	Charles and Mary A.
27	Bert George Smith	Bertram G. and Clarice M.
28	James Edward Gallagher	Charles and Mildred
30	Walter Devereux Simonds	Everett C. and Hazel F.
31	George Arthur Chamberlain	Robert and Elizabeth



## AUGUST

Date	Name	Parents' Names
1	Americo Aiello, Jr.	Americo and Helen M.
1	David Everett Gray	ThurLOW G. and Irene V.
2	Barbara Ann Stewart	James S. and Dorothy O.
2	Beverly Louise Stewart	James S. and Dorothy O.
2	Elizabeth Ann Daly	Charles H. and Eleanor J.
2	Alice Marie Young	Hugh W. and Mabel M.
3	Lois Marie Bullock	Alexander and Catherine
3	Joan Alice LeVangie	Joseph M. and Frances
3	Owen Patrick Trahen	Arthur J. and Catherine
5	John Harrison Andrews	Harrison B. and Helen E.
7	Stephen Usher Ormsby	John J. and Ruth Farrell
7	George Herbert Proctor	George H. and Esther L.
9	Elinor Anne Shea	John T. and Mary M.
15	Brenda Gertrude DeLorey	Horace F. and Gertrude M.
15	Carole Ann Pinola	William J. and Kathryn L.
16	Carol Bernice Yudiciani	Guido B. and Carmela M.
19	William George Huber	William H. and Irene H.
19	Mary Ellen Shea	Richard T. and Theresa M.
19	Thomas Howard Harnish Hedvig	Henry I. and Anna L.
19	Dorothy Ann Newcomb	George C. and Nora
19	Jon Lawrence Pearson	William M. and Eleanor T.
20	Margaret Ann Ayler	Charles D. and Norma F.
21	Paul Leo Fraser	Leo B. and Kathryn R.
24	Beverly Anne Rettig	Franz W. and Martha
25	Gail Brittain	James F. and Barbara
25	Carolyn MacKay Jones	Joseph and Ellen

## SEPTEMBER

1	Bruno Migliorini	Bruno and Julie
1	Audrey Jane Moore	Avid V. and Mabel F.
1	James Edward Haviland	Albert E. and Theresa C.
3	Richard Joseph Julian	Joseph J. and Elizabeth M.
8	Barbara Anne Gropp	Louis and Doris
8	Carol Ann Buccilli	James V. and Phyllis C.
10	Thomas William Cleggett	James F. and Eva M.
11	Charlotte Marcia Hennebury	Richard and Hilda E.
13	William Vincent Moody	Arthur R. and Phyllis E.
16	Christopher Joseph Dutra, Jr.	Christopher J. and Dorothy C.
18	Claire Margaret Gorham	Elmer K. and Helen G.
21	Deborah Nordblom	Theodore B. and Jean
21	Virginia Roberts	George M. and Helen A.
24	George James Bonner	George J. and Dorothy V.
29	Margaret Ann Hayes	Percy F. and Mildred L.
29	Wesley Garner McNett	Wesley G. and Jean L.
29	Faith Alden	Andrew J. and Gladys I.
30	Janet Elizabeth Meliconda	John H. and Mary L.

## OCTOBER

1	Lora Millburn Tweedle	William L. and Mabel
2	Beverly Frances Beane	William J. and Olive J.
2	John Richard Bierman	Henry J. and Pauline A.
5	Robert Louis Wynot	Robert L. and Maude C.
7	Emilia Del Gracco	Palerio and Mary
7	James Edward Young	Daniel and Lillian J.
8	Robert Edward Donovan	John W. and Marie A.

Date	Name	Parents' Names
8	Donald James Joslin	Donald E. and Beulah E.
8	Ronald Bruce Joslin	Donald E. and Beulah E.
13	George Henry McNeil, Jr.	George H. and Mary L.
16	Marilyn Joan Steele	Russell J. and Nora
19	John Francis Fitzgerald	John F. and Eleanor F.
19	Stillborn	
22	Robert Anthony Hudson	Joseph T. and Marie P.
23	Frederick William Lakey, Jr.	Frederick W. and Lillian
24	Judith Foss	John R. and Ruth H.
25	Carol Ann Gilbert	Eugene C. and Irene M.
26	Priscilla Goring Keith	Leslie E. and Pauline D.
27	Raymond Joseph Waring	George R. J. and Marie E.
28	Jean Ann Caramanica	Angelo F. and Barbara
29	Barbara Frances Dowd	John and Winifred

### NOVEMBER

3	John Henry Lynch	John H. and Agatha
4	Carolyn Ann Harlow	William J. and Elizabeth
7	Robert Brinkworth Powers	Charles A. and Dorothy M.
7	William Ellsworth Newton	Clarence H. and Clara E.
10	Evelyn Claire Glidden	John R. and Miriam I.
11	John Thomas Nelson	Nils E. and Helen V.
13	Margaret Louise Leavitt	Carlton E. and Irene T.
14	Ruth Elaine Carlson	Oscar G. and Helen L.
17	David Alan MacKenzie	Russell A. and Pauline F.
19	Thomas Allen Ellsworth	Samuel M. and Marjorie A.
19	Doris Anne Cumming	George and Alice
19	Robert Edwin Johnson	Hollis A. and Gertrude C.
20	Christine Susan Lindsay	Eldon W. and Elizabeth
27	Andrew Vernon Thompson, Jr.	Andrew V. and Frances E.
27	Kenneth Donald Akins	Christopher C. and Mary E.
29	Roger Sears Totten	Elliott M. and Vera A.
30	Lavinia Ellen Murphy	Edward G. and Irene C.

### DECEMBER

3	James Russell Stewart	William K. and Adele A.
5	Donna Lou Harvey	Harold C. and Margaret B.
5	Bruce Hendry Pike	Alton L. and Lillian E.
8	David Parker Ries	Marshall A. and Margaret E.
8	Fitzsimmons	Joseph and Ethel K.
9	Anthony Donato Richardi	Donato D. and Catherine M.
16	Donald Malcolm Cunningham	William H. and Dorothy A.
19	Robert Francis Ricci	Rubano and Marguerite L.
26	Sandalee Cushing	Judson B. and Muriel B.
26	William Davies	Henry A. and Helen J.
28	Patricia Marion Thorp	William E. and Annie C.
30	John Angelo Graziano	Augustine and Loretta



# Marriages in 1938

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## JANUARY

Date	Name	Residence
1	William Francis Storm	Braintree
	Hilda Isabel Bardell (Hayward)	Braintree
2	John Henry DeWolfe	Braintree
	Euphemia Delia Morrison	Braintree
2	Joseph John Graziano	Braintree
	Philomena Salvucci	Quincy
8	Lawrence Barker Dean	Quincy
	Barbara Leigh Lillibridge	Quincy
9	Richard Arthur Hatch	Braintree
	Olga Josephine Ceruti	Weymouth
11	Frederick James Savory, Jr.	Weymouth
	Kathryn Rose Shea	Scituate
14	Robert Dunbar Brewer	Quincy
	Marjorie Louise Wallace	Braintree
14	Arthur Reynolds Moody, Jr.	Milton
	Phyllis Elizabeth Anderson	Braintree
15	Page Garland	No. Hampton, N. H.
	Fredora Armstrong Tebbetts	Braintree
16	James Alfred Tellier	Braintree
	Clara Julia Stefanini	Quincy
20	Leroy Ernest Churchill	Braintree
	Eva Carolyn Wentworth	Braintree

## FEBRUARY

1	Patrick Joseph Gilmore, Jr.	Washington, D. C.
	Lena Marjorie Waldecker	Braintree
14	Felix Carlino	Braintree
	Grace Alta Wright	Abington
14	Edward Davies	Quincy
	Dorothy Seymour	Braintree
16	Herbert Freeman French	Melrose
	Minnie Sarah Hadlock O'Brien	Braintree
19	William Jacob Pinola	Braintree
	Katherine Louise Gerrior	Braintree
19	William H. Hurley	Weymouth
	Annie Rachel Frazier	Braintree
21	Roger Franklin Poole	Holbrook
	Dorothy Muriel Morse	Braintree
21	Irving Henry Thompson	Braintree
	Margaret Stowe	Brockton
22	William Joseph Abbott	Somerville
	Dorothy Irene Coleman	Braintree
27	Daniel Grant Young	Braintree
	Lillian Joseph Parnell	Weymouth
27	Nicholas Mascioli	Hull
	Margaret Mary O'Connell	Braintree
28	George Maurice Roberts	Rockland
	Helen Ann Nichols	Braintree

**MARCH**

Date	Name	Residence
14	Charles Clement Carr	Braintree
	Mabel Christina McNutt	Rockland
16	Duane Aldrich Lindsey	Braintree
	Marion Norine Blanchard	Braintree
19	Gust Holma	Weymouth
	Helmi S. Kaski (Kangas)	Braintree
19	George Henry McNeil	Braintree
	Mary Louise Perruzzi	Quincy
20	Roger Wheeler	Braintree
	Ida Harriet Bailey	Westfield
26	George Herbert Proctor	Braintree
	Esther Lillian Rossetter	Weymouth

**APRIL**

2	Robert Alexander Newell	Braintree
	Edith Marie Russo	Braintree
6	Charles Howard Cary	Braintree
	Irene C. Proulx	Braintree
13	Richard P. Hurd	Braintree
	Evelyn M. Coleman	Arlington
13	John Henry Lynch	Braintree
	Agatha Evangeline Conti	Braintree
17	Lloyd Allen Hallgren	Avon
	Dorothy Louise Barnes	Braintree
17	Wilbert Eaton Pitts	Holbrook
	Elizabeth Mary Rivoire	Braintree
17	Joseph Francis Riley, Jr.	Braintree
	Mafalda Giammatteo	Braintree
18	Norman Wilbert Braun	Kenmore, N. Y.
	Margaret Jean Duncan	Braintree
22	Harrison Allen Walker	Braintree
	Louise Davenport	Braintree
23	Hartzell Sammis Seem	Huntington, L. I., N. Y.
	Virginia Dyer	Braintree
26	Arthur Sabrey Reader	Braintree
	Elizabeth Frances Gower	Braintree

**MAY**

7	Walter Edwin Skinner	Braintree
	Gladys Mae Ryan	Braintree
7	John Michael O'Connell, Jr.	Braintree
	Ann Josephine Sheridan	Dorchester
11	Everett Monroe Whitehouse	Braintree
	Lillian Jane Melanson	Braintree
14	John Thaxter Ghiorse	Weymouth
	Ruth Alice Winkler	Braintree
18	Henry J. Bierman	Braintree
	Pauline A. Fowler	Weymouth
21	Edward Francis Kenney	Granville
	Shirley Margaret Hartman	Braintree
21	Russell Edwin McNeil	Braintree
	Mary Rose Copithorn	Braintree
21	Albert Henry Wain	Braintree
	Florence Ann Cady	Winthrop
21	James Henry Burns	Braintree
	Svea Victoria Erikson	Braintree



Date	Name	Residence
21	Nathan Phillips Bates	Braintree
	Lysle Elizabeth Farquhar	Quincy
27	Carl Emil Hansen	Weymouth
	Nettie Marie Whitehouse	Braintree
28	Harvey Joseph O'Hare	New York City
	Margaret Holden Knight	Braintree
29	Hartley L. White	Braintree
	Rebecca Janes Jones	Braintree
29	Lawrence Leo McCarthy	Dorchester
	Helen Josephine Flynn	Braintree

## JUNE

1	Charles Dickens McLeavy	Weymouth
	Dorothy Loretta Deschaine	Weymouth
1	Russell Vincent Davis	Braintree
	Irja Ottelianna Hokkanen	Quincy
3	Newton Henry Hastings	Braintree
	Ella Virginia Faulkner	Hopkinton
4	James Alfred Tyson	Braintree
	Elizabeth Cochran	Braintree
4	Frank Dungan Learned	Braintree
	Edith Humphrey Baker	Weymouth
4	John William Dunbar	New York City
	Doris Gertrude Smets	Braintree
5	George Frederick Holden	Braintree
	Eleanor Kathryn Newell	Braintree
5	Soveroso Quintilliani	Quincy
	Mary Ann Costantino	Braintree
11	Edward Paul Long	Braintree
	Rosemary Deming Fitch	Braintree
11	Alfred William Gardner	Weymouth
	Eva Lincoln Thayer	Braintree
11	Charles Frederick Dibble, Jr.	Braintree
	Ruth Miriam Ylonen	Quincy
12	Dennis Francis Reardon	Braintree
	Isabel Marie Nicol	Quincy
12	Guido Nicholas Mariani	Rockland
	Angie Felaccio	Braintree
12	James Robert Fogarty	Abington
	Alice Beatrice Henshon	Braintree
12	Harold Emery Ames	Malden
	Ivy Marian Coffin	Braintree
12	George Anderson Davidson	Braintree
	Ann Josephine Murphy	Winchester
14	Henry Davey	Chelsea
	Pauline Pope	Chelsea
14	Wesson Bartlett Williams	Braintree
	Ethel Almira Hall	Braintree
15	Edward Joseph Wherity	Hingham
	Beatrice Constance Rinn (Newell)	Weymouth
16	William Paul Morris	Cambridge
	Grace Elizabeth Duggan	Braintree
16	Lawrence Irwin Sunbury	Braintree
	Myrtle Elizabeth Starkie	Jamaica Plain
18	Howard William Robbins	Randolph
	Marion Jessie Tower	Braintree
18	James Arthur O'Connell	Braintree
	Eleanor Ann Conathan	Worcester
18	George MacLeod	Quincy
	Virginia Procter Oliver	Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
18	William Young	Braintree
	Elsie Mae MacDowell	Weymouth
18	William Henry Storrs	Braintree
	Dorothy Cranston Vose	Providence, R. I.
19	Italo Monti	Quincy
	Emily A. Farina	Braintree
23	James S. Stewart	Medford
	Dorothy O. Gourlay	Braintree
25	James Francis Bannon	Providence, R. I.
	Bertha Cecilia Dunnigan (Allen)	Braintree
25	Richard Plews Spence	Braintree
	Nellie Razanski	Dorchester
25	William Frederick Bancroft	Braintree
	Evelyn St. Clair Lowe	Quincy
26	Edmund Archille Cote	Braintree
	Madeline Louise Cote	Weymouth
26	Otto L. Lindblad	Jamaica Plain
	Aile H. Matson	Braintree
26	Michael Pantano	Braintree
	Claire Roberta Cronin	Dorchester
26	Generoso Fabiano	Braintree
	Marion Josephine McLean	Quincy

### JULY

1	Edwin Ensio Pinola	Braintree
	Mary Merle Melanson	Dorchester
2	Raymond Daniel Doucette	Braintree
	Catherine Frances Maitland	Clinton
3	Edward Nahabedian	Braintree
	Elizabeth Kevorkian	Malden
6	George Henry Hayden	Braintree
	Marion Eleanor Miller	Braintree
12	Arthur Richard Gould	Braintree
	Lillian Maud Smith	Weymouth
14	Chester Daiute	Braintree
	Marguerite Burke	Braintree
16	Stanley Herbert Webber	Braintree
	Gladys Mary McLeod (Grigg)	Braintree
16	John Thomas Trefrey, Jr.	Randolph
	Grace Godfrey Neal	Braintree
17	Arthur David King	Braintree
	Olive Gertrude Barnes (Pierce)	Braintree
19	John Stanley Huber	Braintree
	Wanda Veronica Pietkewicz	Cambridge
20	Donald Prouty	Braintree
	Gertrude Marie Marsters	Braintree
23	Generoso Stornainolo	Braintree
	Marie Moschella	Braintree
29	William Norman McQuarrie	Roxbury
	Catherine Drummond	Braintree

### AUGUST

1	Arthur Robert Benson	Braintree
	Alice Louise Reynolds	Braintree
1	Arthur Chester Niles, Jr.	Braintree
	Mary Nora Anderson	Boston
6	Earl F. Connors	Braintree
	Madeline V. Jessup	Braintree
11	Francis Willard Dorey	Somerville
	Edith Winifred Danforth	Somerville



Date	Name	Residence
13	Robert Bluemner	Braintree
	Lillian May Purcell	Braintree
14	Frank Wesley Drollett, Jr.	Braintree
	Mary Loretta Denning	Braintree
14	David Henry Leahy	Braintree
	Dorothy Helen Davis	Braintree
20	Lawrence Stroup Frank	Mansfield, Ohio
	Caroline Emily Flint	Braintree
20	Edward Francis Gorham	Braintree
	Lennie Ione Miller	Boston
21	William Woodrow Wilson	Quincy
	Martha Cecelia Gerrior	Braintree
22	Herbert K. Jeffers	Braintree
	Florence A. Schumann	Dorchester
23	Edward Joseph Hennebury	Braintree
	Dorothy Mabel Grey	Quincy
26	Wallace Alfred Dana	Holbrook
	Phyllis Madeline Morse	Braintree
27	John Kelley, Jr.	Braintree
	Dorothy Juliet Badot	Quincy
28	Leo Frederick Boubeau	Braintree
	Mabel Katherine Murphy (White)	Arlington

### SEPTEMBER

1	LeRoy Huntley Harmon	Braintree
	Bertha Louise Holm	Braintree
2	Arthur Newcomb Thayer	Braintree
	Grace Myrtle Pratt	Braintree
2	Russell Lawrence Piercy	Quincy
	V. Phyllis Marston	Braintree
2	Carl Axel Bergman	Braintree
	Olga Mary Jameson	Braintree
2	Howard James Rose	Braintree
	Myrtle Douglas Sparks	Braintree
3	Louis Knito	Randolph
	Pauline Barbara Schlager	Braintree
3	Roy Spencer Walker	Braintree
	Priscilla Bacon	Braintree
4	Francis Joseph Canavan	Braintree
	Florence Elizabeth Lombard	Dorchester
4	Robert Francis Whitmarsh	Weymouth
	Helen Mae Nelson	Braintree
4	John Edward Collins	Boston
	Esther Fuller Geary	Braintree
4	James Thomas Grant	Braintree
	Anna Elizabeth Vaccaro	Braintree
5	Donald Arthur Berrio	Braintree
	Edna Elizabeth Sherborne	Hyannis
10	Bernard Augustine Smith	Braintree
	Dorothy Frances Smith	Weymouth
10	Lester Malhon Hawes	Braintree
	Irene Frances McKay	Braintree
11	Lawrence Edwin Leahy	Braintree
	Ethel Cecelia McPhee	Braintree
11	Joseph Barile	Braintree
	Eleanor DiBona	Quincy
11	James Alfred Elliott	Braintree
	Jean Rita Pantano	Braintree
17	Maurice Francis Pagnano	Braintree
	Rita Carolyn Cunniff	Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
17	George Paul Love	Brookline
	Esther Pauline Sullivan	Braintree
18	Richard Fletcher Holden	Quincy
	Mabel Elizabeth Walsh	Quincy
18	James Peter Tsotsones	Quincy
	Viola Victoria Luisi	Braintree
20	Otto Lindenberg	Braintree
	Marie Wood	Cambridge
24	Harry William Sward	Braintree
	Gladys Marie Madden	Braintree
26	Robert Francis Driscoll	Braintree
	Agnes Cocozella (Drummond)	Braintree
28	Michael Joseph McNeil	Braintree
	Annie Frances McCann	Weymouth
30	Paul Frederic Hansen	Ludington, Mich.
	Anna Mildred DeCosta	Braintree

## OCTOBER

1	Hans Streiferd Hagen	Braintree
	Margaret Bathia Ray	Quincy
1	Charles Everett Price	Weymouth
	Virginia Radcliffe Benson	Braintree
1	Robert William Nelson	Norwood
	Ella Gladys Harrison	Quincy
2	Geno Galetti	Braintree
	Philomena Nash	Quincy
2	Henry William Venuti	Braintree
	Grace Elizabeth Cardarople	Braintree
4	Alexander Thompson Gillis	Braintree
	Alice Lorraine Berrio	Braintree
7	William Curtis Field	Braintree
	Virginia Estabrook	Braintree
8	Joseph Anthony Frazier	Braintree
	Phoebe Elizabeth Lavery	Braintree
8	Davis Clapp Drinkwater	Braintree
	Frederica Plimpton	Newton
8	James Ronald Davis	Braintree
	Edna Mary Dudley	Braintree
9	Charles Wilfred Korezniowski	Braintree
	Anna Jaroszewicz	Cambridge
9	Richard Thomason Burke	Braintree
	Margaret Helena Keough	Brockton
10	Harrison Turner Smiley	Braintree
	Evelyn Winship	Stoughton
12	Martin Christopher Canavan	Cambridge
	Katherine Irene Erwin	Braintree
14	Robert Francis Walker	Wayland
	Beulah Muriel Allison	Braintree
15	Frank Joseph Enos	Brooklyn, N. Y.
	Olive Bertha Robery	Braintree
15	Chester Welch	Braintree
	Wilhelmina Mildred Flemming	Braintree
16	Andrew Joseph Battistini	Quincy
	Ruth Beatrice Lawry	Braintree
18	John Waters Illingworth	Braintree
	Olive Genevieve Burke	Braintree
21	Malcolm Albert Leavitt	Boston
	Elizabeth Ruth Allen	Braintree
21	Albert Stanley Walsh	Weymouth
	Sylvia Flora Tesolini	Braintree



## NOVEMBER

Date	Name	Residence
2	Joseph Wineblatt	Braintree
	Pauline Goodman	Braintree
6	Charles Andrew Cairns	Braintree
	Dorothea Mathilda Briand	Braintree
9	Arthur James McCue	Randolph
	Marguerite Irma Killian	Braintree
10	Robert Hunnewell	Braintree
	Genevieve Kasprzak	Braintree
11	Walter Leonard Ericson	Weymouth
	Esther Mary Davis	Braintree
12	Albert Perry Holt, Jr.	Braintree
	Priscilla Sawyer	Newton Highlands
12	Raymond Waldo Lyons	Braintree
	Melba Irene Sample	Weymouth
17	Walter Edward Huskins	Braintree
	Catherine Doris Higgins	Dorchester
19	William Gleason Lawry	Braintree
	Mary Isabel O'Connor	Holbrook
23	Peter George Joseph Fox	Ayer
	Charlotte Devine Kearney	Braintree
24	William Ernest Wade, Jr.	Rutherford, N. J.
	Edith Louise Milliken	Braintree
26	Lars Norman Anderson	Weymouth
	Irma Elizabeth Lawry	Braintree
26	George William Alexander	Braintree
	Loyce Irene White	Weymouth
30	Charles Warren Eaton	Brockton
	Doris Elizabeth Harvey	Boston

## DECEMBER

2	John Galvin Dugan	Braintree
	Rhoda Victoria Dosenberg	Braintree
4	Warren Cecil Saunders	Braintree
	Ruth Evelyn Lovell	Weymouth
9	Edward Maxwell Sexton	Scituate
	Mary Agnes Cunniff	Braintree
10	William Peter Kelley, Jr.	Braintree
	Dorothy Elizabeth Burkhardt	Quincy
10	Charles Walter Taber	Braintree
	Ellen Linnea Orlander	Weymouth
19	Alexander McCartney	Braintree
	Julia Veronica Power	Braintree
24	Michael John Cicchini	Braintree
	Constance Elvera Niles	Randolph
25	Chester Oliver Ellis	Braintree
	Florence Genevieve Moody	Braintree

Total number of marriages: 186.

Residence of Males: Braintree, 118; other places in Massachusetts, 57; New York, 5; New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Washington, D. C., New Jersey, Ohio and Michigan, 1 each.

Residence of Females: Braintree, 115; other places in Massachusetts, 70; Rhode Island, 1.

Birthplace of Males: Braintree, 41; other places in Massachusetts, 97; Maine, 8; Canada, 6; New Hampshire, 4; New York, 4; Rhode Island, 3; Connecticut, 3; Illinois, 3; Italy, 3; England, 2; Scotland, 2; Ver-

mont, New Jersey, Texas, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Finland, Alaska, Sweden, Armenia and Russia, 1 each.

Birthplace of Females: Braintree, 38; other places in Massachusetts, 105; Canada, 9; Maine, 8; New York, 7; New Hampshire, 5; Vermont, 2; Rhode Island, 2; Scotland, 2; Delaware, Maryland, Florida, Pennsylvania, England, Sweden, Finland and Italy, 1 each.

Marriages solemnized in Braintree, 78; Weymouth, 30; Boston, 20; Quincy, 13; New Hampshire, 6; Brockton, 5; Holbrook, 4; Randolph, 3; Rhode Island, 3; Hingham, 2; Winthrop, 2; Duxbury, Cambridge, Melrose, Rockland, Falmouth, Bourne, Oak Bluffs, Westboro, Malden, Palmer, Springfield, Worcester, Winchester, Westwood, Hyannis, Hanover, Stoughton, Newton, Brookline and Vermont, 1 each.



# Deaths in 1938

## JANUARY

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
1	Leslie Bloom	Boston	22— 7—13
2	Charles R. Reynolds	Quincy	41— 0— 0
4	Joseph Tocci	Italy	53— 9—15
10	Patrick Levangie	Nova Scotia	70— 0— 0
12	Oscar Julius Bluemner	Germany	70— 6—22
12	Fred H. Hardy	Hingham	53—11—25
13	Viola A. King	Marlboro, N. H.	82— 8— 8
13	Anthony Karshis	Lithuania	33— 5— 1
14	Clara E. Peel	Oxford, N. S.	65— 0— 0
15	Mark Hennebury	Newfoundland	64— 0— 0
16	Edgar Bernard Lewis	Hyannis	62— 0—15
17	Annie Maria Gale	Middletown, N. Y.	79— 0— 0
17	Dorothy Tisdale	Braintree	0— 5— 0
18	Carrie A. Harrington	Cape Elizabeth (South Portland, Me.)	70— 2—27
19	Maxwell Bell	Boston	17— 3— 2
20	John M. Haynes	Roxbury	70— 8— 9
23	Joseph P. Canavan	New Bedford	63— 3— 5
26	John Albert Akerstrom	Medaker, Sweden	84— 6—28
28	August A. Cook	St. Marie, Mich.	32— 4—11
28	Arthur E. Conrad	Nova Scotia	50— 4—22
28	Francesco Pantano	Italy	58— 0— 0
29	Alice Josephine Cummings	Charlestown	79— 1—10
30	Frank Rogers	Nova Scotia	73— 7—27
30	Gordon Stropole	Gloucester	54— 3— 5
30	Frank Vecchione	Brooklyn, N. Y.	36— 4—10

## FEBRUARY

1	Thomas H. Harnish	Braintree	43— 0—30
1	William F. Murphy	Newfoundland	55— 4—29
2	William H. Goodale	Scotland	29— 0— 0
3	Roger Connolly	Norwood	28— 3—28
3	Jane Tordoff	England	78— 0— 0
4	Erwin	Quincy	0— 0— 2
4	Richard H. Tobin	Montreal, Canada	72— 3— 1
4	Michael Stanley	Poland	84— 0— 0
6	Laura H. Sibley	Bath, Ontario	62— 3— 5
6	Annie L. Gerrior	Nova Scotia	72— 8—22
6	Emily A. MacGregor	Ireland	67— 0— 6
7	Settles	Weymouth	8 hrs.
8	John B. Kirby	Boston	80— 0— 0
11	Otto J. A. Meier	Germany	52—11—10
13	Frederick L. Moss	England	61—11—23
14	Alexander Hamilton	Scotland	55— 4—23
16	Michael Schultz	Germany	71— 0— 0
17	Nora Silva	Canton	17— 4— 4
18	Adolph A. Adami	So. Boston	42— 3—17
23	Waclaw Ravinski	Poland.	61— 5— 8

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
25	John McGuinness	Newburgh, N. Y.	48— 5—24
25	Lizzie H. Denbroeder	Weymouth	73— 0—10
25	Elizabeth A. Sullivan	Philadelphia	76— 0— 0
26	Lorna May Allen	Brockton	0— 5— 3
27	John O'Rourke	Ireland	88— 0— 0
28	Adeline Rachel Tarbox	Boston	44— 9—25

## MARCH

4	Sabastiano Leo	Italy	52— 6—20
6	Carrie Heinlein	Boston	71—11— 7
8	Margaret Burchill	Quincy	29— 3—24
8	Gladys L. Scott	Roxbury	54— 9— 0
9	Anson C. Damon	Charlotte, Me.	64— 1— 0
9	Margaret M. Hall	New York	77— 1—27
13	James F. Gallagher	Boston	63— 0— 0
15	Julia W. Hennessey	Quincy	72— 3—12
18	Annie Woods	Stoughton	61— 7—12
19	Emma Jane Banks	P. E. Island	74—10— 8
22	Natalie Kimball	Boston	12— 9— 6
24	George Papadopoulos	Greece	27— 5— 2
25	Katherine Anna Barry	So. Boston	23— 7— 3
26	Mary A. E. James	Boston	70— 8— 0
26	John H. Yourell	Weymouth	57— 4— 1
27	Rita Wilson	Quincy	0—10— 0
28	Anna L. Dorch	Shreveport, La.	34—11—27
31	Walter P. Pinel	Jersey, England	80— 2—13

## APRIL

4	John F. X. Huskins	Boston	20— 6— 0
6	Ann McLeod Rowell	Scotland	54— 2— 0
6	Daniel A. McDougall	Nova Scotia	69— 0— 0
8	Laura Ann Hayes	Cohasset	89— 3—18
8	Elsie M. Emmett	Boston	23— 9— 5
10	William J. Brown (Brugnoni)	Boston	37— 1—25
10	Charles M. Partelow	St. Johns, N. B.	89— 8— 0
15	Charles M. Pratt	Weymouth	86—11—22
16	Lillian Hedein	Quincy	23— 4—26
17	James L. Sugden	New York	81— 0— 0
17	Margaret M. Berg MacDonald	Newfoundland	78— 0—17
17	Catherine Spera	Italy	71— 0— 0
18	John Laasonen	Finland	64— 9— 3
19	Carmine Tocci	Italy	49— 4—21
20	Mary Ann Mason	England	2— 4— 5
23	George B. Pierce	Rhode Island	71— 4— 1
27	Stillborn		
28	Margaret E. McGovern	Boston	72— 4—21

## MAY

3	Silvio A. Sarni	Italy	56— 0— 0
5	William L. Morrison	Scotland	77— 0— 0
5	James O'Connor	Boston	101—10—28
6	John B. Crowe	North Grafton	57— 3—28
7	Margaret Emmett	Quincy	0—11— 2
8	John Emerson Arnold	Braintree	61— 2—28
10	Patricia R. Hardy	Weymouth	0— 0—55
12	Sherburne Perkins Young	Braintree	54—11— 5
18	Charles Bloomgard	Latvia	59— 4—21

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
18	Joseph Emerson Hayden	Braintree	68— 0—20
20	William Du-Luccia	Italy	87— 0— 0
21	Willis H. Baker	South Yarmouth	52— 4— 0
21	Nelson	Weymouth	1 hr.
25	Annie M. McLeod	Boston	56— 0— 4
27	Venitta L. Clapp	Weymouth	79— 2—22
27	Caroline DelPico	Italy	47— 0— 0
28	Charles Beaulieu	Charlestown	30— 3—20
29	Mathilda N. Geary	Nova Scotia	63—11—17
31	Matti Ulvila	Finland	60— 7—26

## JUNE

1	Sarah F. Williams	Brooklyn, N. Y.	78— 0— 0
2	Edward D. B. Smith	Scotland	66— 0— 2
3	Alvin Augustus Bullen	Readfield, Me.	82— 5—12
4	James H. Levangie	Nova Scotia	61— 0— 0
7	Frances H. Murray	England	71— 9— 3
8	John J. Baldwin	Ireland	62— 6—12
9	Elizabeth H. Smith	Nova Scotia	90— 7—29
9	Geraldine Chaput	Haverhill	26— 2— 0
13	David Edward Bourbeau	Holbrook	66— 1—14
15	Mabel H. Hauston	Braintree	42—10—20
19	Edith Blanche Lyon	Weymouth	69— 3—12
19	Florence Bartlett	Lynn	Abt. 67
19	Gilman Madan		52— 0— 0
20	Edward Garrison McGill	Weymouth	73— 0— 3
23	George Frederick Gardner	Nantucket	72— 0— 0
25	Hayden	Weymouth	0— 0— 1
26	Pereclis Chiavaras	Greece	41— 0— 0
26	Julia Frances Sullivan	Stoughton	83— 3—22
30	Thomas Henry Forsythe	Milton	74— 0—21

## JULY

2	John Symons	England	52— 4— 1
3	Oren Lester Belcher	Braintree	63— 1— 8
3	George Burton Quint	Ossipee, N. H.	90— 4—15
5	John Hennebury	Newfoundland	67— 0— 0
7	Frank Crush	Lewiston, Me.	83— 6— 7
9	Elmira M. Tardif	Canada	54— 8—16
9	Elias Frazier	Canada	86— 6— 8
13	Charles Burton Ward	Philadelphia, Pa.	64— 9— 7
14	Mary J. Bowman	Nova Scotia	75— 7— 6
15	Hazel Baghdadlian	Brockton	15— 8— 7
21	Susan E. White	Braintree	75— 7— 9
24	Thomas Hefler	Nova Scotia	81— 8—19
26	Francis E. Whipple	Providence, R. I.	63— 4—23
27	Dorothy McKeough	Braintree	25—10—18
28	Charles Francis Haynes	Dedham	64— 2— 0
28	Fanny Ruperta Saulpaugh	Nova Scotia	65— 8—27
29	Fannie Day	Newark, N. J.	42— 3— 6
29	John G. Cahill	Natick	69— 1—20
31	Simeon S. Chute	Nova Scotia	40— 0— 4

## AUGUST

1	John P. Fitzpatrick	Waltham	49— 1—10
9	William H. J. Fitzgerald	New York, N. Y.	71— 3—11
9	George H. Proctor	Braintree	21— 7— 0



Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
10	Valarie Auclair	Canada	79— 0— 0
11	Agnes May Turner	Weymouth	0— 1—20
11	Peter Bicknell Mead	Quincy	70— 6—15
14	Harold W. Boyd	Richmond, Va.	36— 2— 0
16	Hattie May Young	At Sea	63—11— 0
16	William Lovejoy	Holliston	55— 2—16
18	Harriett A. Kierstead	Dedham	55— 0— 0
20	Thomas J. Hennebury	Newfoundland	56— 0— 0
21	Mary Veronica Morris	Boston	Abt. 60
22	Daniel Sullivan	Ireland	55— 1—27
22	Marian Lucy Gile	Hartford, Conn.	55— 1—10
24	William Williams	Canada	28— 0—13
26	William Louis Dick	Roxbury	54— 3— 5
31	Ben Ulbin	Poland	49— 0— 0
31	Frank McDonald	Stoughton	50—11— 4

### SEPTEMBER

2	Loretta Connell	Quincy	50—11—21
6	Agnes Wright	Nova Scotia	32—10—28
9	Christian Paulsen	Norwood	48—11— 5
10	Ellen T. Dennehy	Newfoundland	77—10—10
11	Ellen Jewett	Ireland	69— 5— 9
14	William Stanley Fraser	Braintree	1— 2— 5
17	Helen Carter Keefe	Nova Scotia	29— 0— 0
19	Philip Albert Vella	Boston	9— 3— 9
21	Fanny G. Vidaud	Brooklyn, N. Y.	76— 0— 0
21	Ida F. Williams	Middleboro	55—11—16
21	Elizabeth Williams	Middleboro	35— 2—11

### OCTOBER

1	Arthur William Buckwell	England	70— 5— 9
2	George Zeiba	East Taunton	33— 6—20
7	Henning Hallstream	Sweden	69— 5— 6
8	Catherine Matson	Boston	88—11— 1
8	Ellen Barbara Cardaro	Worcester	21— 6— 0
9	Bethia Cushing Gardner	Hanover	86— 5—27
12	Laura Charboneau	No. Hebron, N. Y.	66— 1—19
12	Robert MacArthur	Quincy	24— 3—24
13	John Wright	New Brunswick	69— 4—12
13	Caroline Stetson	Boston	82— 1—14
16	George S. Rogers	Somerville	57— 3— 1
18	Alexander Albert Carson	Philadelphia, Pa.	78— 7— 4
19	Stillborn		
21	Patrick J. Dillon	Ireland	65— 7— 2
25	John E. Finnegan	Braintree	76— 0— 0
26	Thomas Lang	Braintree	44— 0— 5
27	Frank J. Shaw	Hudson, Me.	72— 1— 2
30	Joseph H. Cloney	Boston	58— 8—29
30	Raymond Alton Thrower	Chattanooga, Tenn.	34— 2—19

### NOVEMBER

1	Timothy J. Sullivan	Boston	55— 8— 3
2	James Fontoni	Quincy	45— 2— 9
3	Frank Appleton Pratt	Braintree	82— 0—11
4	Victor P. Hamel	Paris, France	79—11—15
7	Maude C. Vining	Weymouth	61— 0—20
8	Annie G. Buker	Boston	65—10—26

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
8	Fred E. Philbrick	Braintree	22— 1—17
9	Jennie J. Richards	Braintree	48— 8—18
11	James Edward Chandler	Boston	60—11—14
15	John Drummond, Jr.	Scotland	31— 6—22
18	Alice L. Senior	Weymouth	70— 0—10
19	Caroline E. Barnard Huntress	Worcester	96— 0— 0
21	Frank E. Fitch	Gloucester	63—11—22
21	Emma Grigg Borden	New Brunswick	80— 5—22
22	William E. Marceau	St. Albans, Vt.	65—10—12
23	William Kendall	Boston	38— 3—13
24	Mary A. Buckley	Canton	76— 0— 0
26	Nellie Augusta Hall	Boothbay Harbor	74— 0—26
29	Elizabeth Levangie	Nova Scotia	54— 0— 0

### DECEMBER

2	Charles E. Greelish	Weymouth	64— 3— 3
4	Clayton R. Marstin	Lowell	63— 3—24
5	Margaret Forbes Forsythe	Milton	78— 2— 7
8	Charles Jones King	East Boston	72— 3—19
13	Annie Magazu	Italy	59— 9—22
13	James Spurgen Wynot	Nova Scotia	66— 2—23
15	Robert T. McGorum	Scotland	73— 0— 0
16	Anne W. Griffiths	Wales	76— 0— 0
16	Stillborn		
17	Carrie Maud Barstow	Nobleboro, Me.	70— 0— 0
17	Charlotte M. Streeter	Cohasset	84— 2— 4
17	Alice B. Richards	Plymouth	88— 3—28
19	John L. Wilson	Rochester, N. Y.	47— 1— 7
19	Susan Margaret Thayer	Hingham	47—11—15
20	Lydia Potvin	Lowell, Vt.	39— 5— 5
21	Mary E. Forbes	Erie, Penn.	72— 0— 0
22	Michael Roslauskas	Lithuania	55— 0— 0
29	Honora Barry	Ireland	79— 0— 0
29	Stephen Young Smith	Nova Scotia	76— 2—22

Total number of Deaths: 230.

Males, 135; Females, 95; Single, 54; Married, 115; Widowed, 57; Divorced, 4.

Birthplaces: Braintree, 16; other places in Massachusetts, 97; Canada, 35; New York, 10; Italy, 9; Maine, 7; England, 7; Ireland, 7; Scotland, 7; Pennsylvania, 4; Germany, 3; Poland, 3; New Hampshire, 2; Vermont, 2; Rhode Island, 2; Lithuania, 2; Sweden, 2; Greece, 2; Finland, 2; At Sea, 1; Unknown, 1; New Jersey, Virginia, Connecticut, Tennessee, Michigan, Louisiana, France, Wales, and Latvia, 1 each.

Ages: Stillborn, 3; under 1 year, 11; 1 to 10, 2; 11 to 20, 4; 21 to 30, 18; 31 to 40, 14; 41 to 50, 21; 51 to 60, 36; 61 to 70, 50; 71 to 80, 47; 81 to 90, 22; 91 to 100, 1; over 100, 1.

Diseases: Tuberculosis, 48 (4 residents and 44 non-residents); Heart Disease, 42; Cancer, 30; Pneumonia, 28; Cerebral Hemorrhage, 22; Arterio sclerosis, 13; Coronary thrombosis, 9; Accident, 9; Stillborn, 3; Suicide, 2; Paralysis, 2; Meningitis, 2; Endocarditis, 2; Angina pectoris, 2; Premature, 2; Leukemia, Bronchiectasis, Hemorrhage disease of New Born, Empyema, Cardiac Dilation, Atelectasis Congenital, Auricular Filbrillation, Hodgkins Disease, Brain Tumor, Anemia, Pulmonary Edema, Paralytic Ileus, Cystic Degeneration of Lungs and Toxic Myocarditis, 1 each.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED JANUARY 1, 1938 TO DECEMBER 31,  
1938 INCLUSIVE

Total number issued .....		1097
696 Males	@ \$2.00 .....	\$1,392.00
111 Females	@ 5.00 .....	555.00
284 Females (Spayed)	@ 2.00 .....	568.00
4 Kennel	@ 25.00 .....	100.00
2 Kennel	@ 50.00 .....	100.00
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		\$2,715.00
Credit by cash paid Town Treasurer .....		\$2,495.60
Fees retained, Chap. 320, Sec. 11, Acts of 1934 .....		219.40
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		\$2,715.00

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED JANUARY 1, 1938 TO  
DECEMBER 31, 1938 INCLUSIVE

Total number issued .....		532
204 Res. Citizens' Fishing	@ \$2.00 .....	\$408.00
147 Res. Citizens' Hunting	@ 2.00 .....	294.00
97 Res. Citizens' Sporting	@ 3.25 .....	315.25
47 Res. Citizens' Female & Minor Fishing	@ 1.25 .....	58.75
3 Res. Citizens' Minor Trapping	@ 2.25 .....	6.75
4 Res. Citizens' Trapping	@ 5.25 .....	21.00
26 Res. Citizens' Sporting	Free .....	
4 Duplicates	@ .50 .....	2.00
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		\$1,105.75
Credit by cash paid Division of Fisheries and Game .....		980.25
Fees retained, Chap. 131, Sec. 9, G.L. ....		125.50
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		\$1,105.75

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,

Town Clerk.



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION

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# DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

Report of an Audit  
of  
The Accounts of

## The Town of Braintree

FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1937 TO APRIL 9, 1938  
Made in Accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws

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October 7, 1938

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Division of Accounts  
State House, Boston

October 7, 1938

To the Board of Selectmen  
Mr. Henry D. Higgins, Chairman  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Braintree for the period from January 1, 1937 to April 9, 1938 made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,  
Director of Accounts.

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Mr. Theodore N. Waddell  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Braintree for the period from January 1, 1937 to April 9, 1938, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town, or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked for the period covered by the audit.

The books and accounts in the town accountant's office were examined and checked in detail. The general and appropriation ledger accounts were analyzed. The recorded receipts were compared with the treasurer's cash book, while the payments, as entered were checked with the treasurer's books, with the selectmen's warrants, and with the approved vouchers and pay-rolls on file.

The appropriations, transfers, and loans authorized, as recorded on the ledgers, were checked with the town clerk's records of town meeting votes and with the authorizations by the finance committee of transfers from the reserve fund.

The necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, a trial balance was taken off proving the accounts to be in balance, and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town as of December 31, 1937, was prepared and is appended to this report.

An examination of the appended balance sheet shows twenty-two appropriation accounts for the year 1937 overdrawn for a total sum of \$55,296.47. On the town accountant's ledger these overdrafts were originally confined to seven accounts purported to be overdrawn by authority of a vote of the selectmen under the "extreme emergency" provisions of Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws, and aggregated \$50,965.95. The difference in amounts and the number of accounts is caused by the audit adjustment of obviously incorrect charges against the appropriations concerned.

Following is a schedule showing the original overdrafts permitted by the selectmen as compared with the adjusted overdrafts shown by the appended balance sheet:



1937 Appropriation Account	Original Overdraft December 31, 1937	Adjusted Overdraft December 31, 1937
Selectmen's Expense . .	_____	\$73.19
Town Hall Maintenance	_____	549.35
Police Traffic Duty, Braintree Highlands R.R. Bridge . . . . .	\$156.60	156.60
Highways:		
Superintendent's Salary _____		\$46.75
Supplies . . . . . _____		7.69
Repairs to Equipment _____		3,015.54
All Other . . . . . _____		311.66
Snow Removal . . . . . \$2,802.06		2,538.86
Commercial Street Drain _____		194.50
	2,802.06	6,115.00
Public Welfare:		
Infirmity Expense . . . \$1,370.57		\$1,370.57
Clerk's Salary . . . . . _____		30.00
Office Expense . . . . . _____		50.09
Automobile Expense . . . _____		2,000.76
Temporary Aid . . . . . 27,887.74		25,914.29
	29,258.31	29,365.71
Old Age Assistance:		
Investigator's Salary . . . _____		\$60.00
Office Expense . . . . . _____		32.50
Automobile Expense . . . _____		132.44
Assistance . . . . . \$11,382.07		11,157.13
	11,382.07	11,382.07
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	7,036.91	7,093.91
Military Aid . . . . .	330.00	330.00
Fire Insurance on Build- ings and Contents . . .	_____	179.78
W.P.A.—Office Expense	_____	50.86
	<u>\$50,965.95</u>	<u>\$55,296.47</u>

A detailed study of the overdrawn appropriation accounts for 1937 and of the accounts related thereto was made and following are summaries of the findings:

**Selectmen's Expense:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustment from Highways	
—W.P.A. Materials . . . . .	\$73.53
Less—available balance December 31, 1937 . . . . .	.34
Overdraft December 31, 1937 . . . . .	<u>\$73.19</u>

The charges transferred from Highways—W.P.A. Materials consist of telephone bills for the selectmen's office, paid in December, 1937 from the Highway—W.P.A. Materials account. It was noted that the appropriation of \$1,015 made for selectmen's expense had been exhausted by September 30, 1937, with the exception of 47 cents paid November 24, 1937, and 34 cents balance remaining on December 31, 1937.

**Town Hall Maintenance:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustment from Highways	
—W.P.A. Materials .....	\$550.16
Less—available balance December 31, 1937.....	.81
Overdraft December 31, 1937.....	<u>\$549.35</u>

The Charges transferred from Highways—W.P.A. Materials to Town Hall Maintenance consist of \$487.50 paid in June and August, 1937, to masons, plumbers, electricians, and carpenters for certain alterations to the town hall, \$15 paid in November, 1937, for decorating the town hall, and \$47.66 paid on December 30, 1937, for lamps, illuminating gas, and drinking water for the town hall.

**Police Traffic Duty at Braintree Highlands R.R. Bridge:—**

The overdraft of \$156.60 in this account was permitted by Selectmen Avery and Cahill by votes dated April 3, 1937, for an amount of \$36.60 and July 22, 1937 for an amount of \$120, invoking the extreme emergency clause of Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws.

The comparatively early date of the year and the small amount involved make it appear that the declaration of an extreme emergency was unwarranted, as these charges could have been absorbed in the police department appropriations or provided for by transfer from the reserve fund voted under Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws.

**Highway Department:**

**Snow Removal:—**

Overdraft permitted by selectmen under Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws.....	\$2,802.06
Deduct—charges transferred by audit adjustments to:	
Highways—Supplies .....	\$134.30
Highways—Repairs to Equipment .....	67.87
Highways—All Other .....	61.03
	<u>—263.20</u>
Overdraft December 31, 1937.....	<u>\$2,538.86</u>

The charges transferred from the snow removal account to other highway accounts consist of sundry items that would be more properly chargeable to those accounts.

The records of the selectmen show the following vote of the board under date of December 16, 1937: "Voted under provisions of Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws, that an extreme emergency exists involving the health and safety of persons and property within the town of Braintree justifying and authorizing an overdraft of \$2,802.06 for snow removal."



This sum of \$2,802.06 was paid as follows:

Dec. 16, 1937—	\$790.05	Balance of pay-roll of \$1,208.22 covering regular employees of the highway department including 13 men paid two weeks in advance to the end of the year.
Dec. 16, 1937—	496.00	One Snow Plow—December 14, 1937.
Dec. 23, 1937—	463.13	Pay-rolls for extra men and contracts.
Dec. 30, 1937—	532.47	Pay-rolls for extra men and contracts.
Dec. 30, 1937—	245.82	Sand—December 9 to 31, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	28.75	Snow shovels—December 6, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	5.00	Tractor storage—December 31, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	1.50	Tractor parts—December 22, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	100.53	Gasoline—December 15 to 31, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	29.56	Auto oil—December 10, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	82.13	Auto batteries, plugs, etc.—December 3 to 10, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	6.91	Machinery bolts—December 6, 1937.
Dec. 30, 1937—	20.21	Fuel oil—December 30, 1937.
	<u>\$2,802.06</u>	

Since the complete list of invoices covering the above payments of \$2,802.06 were not submitted until as late as December 31, 1937, it appears that either the date or the amount of the vote quoted is not correct since the full amount stated could not have been known on December 16, 1937.

The correctness of other recorded votes of the selectmen pertaining to other overdrafts mentioned further along in this text, can be questioned for similar reasons.

Attention is called especially to the item of \$790.05, included in the total amount of \$2,802.06, which was toward the pay-roll of the regular highway employees who on December 16, 1937, were paid for two weeks in advance of their services rendered. It is absolutely inconceivable that such a payment for such a purpose, under the stated conditions, could ever be construed as being for an extreme emergency involving the health or safety of persons or property.

It may also be noted that some of the liabilities were incurred prior to the recorded date of the emergency vote, and from the detail of the vouchers, the necessity of some of the purchases under the extreme emergency clause may seriously be questioned.

#### Construction of Church and Centre Streets, Chapter 90:—

Credit balance December 31, 1937 .....	\$9,134.23
Charges transferred by audit adjustments to:	
Highways—Supplies .....	\$126.28
Highways—Repairs to Equipment....	1,730.50
Highways—All other .....	15.17
Highways—W.P.A. Materials.....	100.80
Construction of Traffic Islands.....	38.00
	<u>2,010.75</u>
Available credit balance December 31, 1937....	<u>\$11,144.98</u>



The charges transferred from Construction of Church and Centre Streets, Chapter 90, to other highway accounts consist of numerous bills for repairs to equipment, supplies, etc., the detail of which would indicate that the charge was not incurred on construction of Church and Centre Streets and would be more correctly chargeable against the other highway appropriations. The aggregate adjustment of \$2,010.75 includes \$1,420.30 expended at sundry times earlier than the date when construction was started as specified by the supervising engineer of the Department of Public Works.

**Highways—W.P.A. Materials, etc.:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustments to:	
Selectmen's Expense .....	\$73.53
Town Hall Maintenance .....	550.16
Highways—Superintendent's Salary..	46.75
Highways—Supplies .....	106.40
Highways—Repairs to Equipment....	115.92
Highways—All other .....	196.45
Public Welfare—Temporary Aid.....	164.62
Public Welfare—Automobile Expense	.50
W.P.A. Office Expense .....	50.86
	\$1,305.19
Less—charges transferred by audit adjustment from Church and Centre Streets, Chapter 90 .....	—100.80
Available credit balance December 31, 1937	<u>\$1,204.39</u>

Article 25 of the annual town meeting for 1937 provided for \$25,000 to be expended by the **highway department** to cover the town's share for **materials, trucking** and other **necessary** expenditures in connection with W.P.A. activities or other special aid projects **in conjunction with** the State or Federal Government and that in case these funds were not required for State or Federal Aid projects, the balance might be expended by the **highway department** on work to relieve unemployment.

Despite the fact that the town meeting definitely placed the expenditure of this appropriation in the hands of the highway department, charges for telephone bills for the selectmen's office, for alterations to and maintenance of the town hall, for vacation pay for the retiring highway superintendent, for electrical work at the welfare department saw shed, and for sundry other items were found to have been paid from this account solely on approval of the selectmen and without the necessary written approval of the highway superintendent. These payments and other incorrect charges were adjusted during the audit, leaving a net balance of \$1,204.39 on December 31, 1937, in the Highways—W.P.A. account available for use by the highway department.

There are, however, two charges against this appropriation which have not been adjusted for lack of an account to which they could be more properly charged, but the payment of which from this account may be questioned as being properly within the scope of the article providing this appropriation. These questionable charges are: (1) The payment of \$400 on April 23, 1937, for the balance due on a 1935 Plymouth Touring Sedan, and (2) the payment of \$495 on June 25, 1937, for rebuilding a Ford car into a dump truck. Both of these bills were approved by the selectmen only.

**Highways—Superintendent's Salary:—**

The overdraft of \$46.75 shown on the balance sheet as of December 31, 1937, was caused by the adjustment of the payment for one week's vacation to the retiring superintendent which was originally charged to Highways—W.P.A. Materials on April 16, 1937.

**Highways—Supplies:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustments from:

Snow Removal . . . . .	\$134.30	
Church and Centre Streets, Chapter 90	126.28	
Highways—W.P.A. Materials . . . . .	106.40	
		\$366.98

Deduct:

Available balance December 31, 1937	\$2.44	
Charges transferred by audit adjustments to:		
Highways—Repairs to Equipment	316.85	
Highways—All Other . . . . .	40.00	
		—359.29

Overdraft December 31, 1937	<u>\$7.69</u>
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**Highways—Repairs to Equipment:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustments from:

Highways—Supplies . . . . .	\$316.85	
Highways—Patching . . . . .	572.76	
Highways—Tarvia and Sanding . . . . .	360.54	
Snow Removal . . . . .	67.87	
Church and Centre Streets, Chapter 90	1,730.50	
Highways—W.P.A. Materials . . . . .	115.92	
		\$3,164.44

Less—available balance December 31, 1937	—148.90
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Overdraft December 31, 1937 . . .	<u>\$3,015.54</u>
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**Highways—All Other:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustments from:

Highways—Supplies . . . . .	\$40.00	
Snow Removal . . . . .	61.03	
Church and Centre Streets, Chapter 90	15.17	
Highways—W.P.A. Materials . . . . .	196.45	
		\$312.65

Less—available balance December 31, 1937	—.99
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Overdraft December 31, 1937 . .	<u>\$311.66</u>
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The overdrafts shown in the accounts designated "Highways—Supplies," "Highways—Repairs to Equipment," and "Highways—All Other" were caused by the correction of charges made against the several separate highway department appropriations, including, in addition to the accounts previously discussed, such accounts as "Highways—Patching," "Highways—Tarvia and Sanding," and "Construc-



tion of Traffic Islands." Many bills were found charged to accounts other than those to which they were marked as having been approved, while other bills were obviously incorrectly classified as to the proper appropriation against which they were chargeable. An example of this is the charging of \$933.30, paid for the replacement of automobile tires and tubes, against the appropriations made for "Patching" and for "Tarvia and Sanding."

#### **Commercial Street Drain:—**

The overdraft of \$194.50 shown on the balance sheet for this account, is the excess of the payments made for this purpose over the town appropriation. This overdraft had previously been closed out and charged against "Highways—Drains and Catch Basins" by the town accountant, but in the absence of any proper vote authorizing such transfer, the entry closing the overdraft was reversed by audit adjustment.

#### **Public Welfare Department:**

##### **Infirmary Expense:—**

The overdraft of \$1,370.57 on December 31, 1937, was permitted by Selectmen Avery and Cahill by votes passed in accordance with Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws, on the following recorded dates:

November 1, 1937 .....	\$80.00
December 8, 1937 .....	519.15
December 15, 1937 .....	771.42
Total .....	<u>\$1,370.57</u>

##### **Clerk's Salary:—**

The overdraft of \$30 shown on the balance sheet is caused by adjusting the charges for clerical help against the Temporary Aid account, inasmuch as a separate appropriation for salary of clerk was voted by the town.

##### **Office Expense:—**

The overdraft of \$50.09 in the appropriation for "Public Welfare Department Administration—Office Expense, Supplies, Telephone" is the result of adjusting the charges of \$50.81 erroneously made against the Temporary Aid account, less 72 cents available balance on December 31, 1937.

##### **Automobile Expense:—**

Charges transferred by audit adjustments from:

Temporary Aid .....	\$2,148.26	
Highways—W.P.A. Materials .....	.50	
		\$2,148.76

Less—charges transferred by audit adjustment to:

Temporary Aid .....	148.00
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Overdraft December 31, 1937...	<u>\$2,000.76</u>
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The town provided the sum of \$550 at the annual town meeting for 1937 for "Public Welfare Department Administration—Automobile Repairs and Supplies," in addition to \$600 for the purchase of a new automobile. The automobile expense account of \$550 was expended by April 2, 1937, and from that date to the end of the year all charges



for automobile expenses were paid from the appropriation for Temporary Aid, all such expenditures after October 21, 1937, coming under the heading of "extreme emergency" in the Temporary Aid account.

The expenditure of a total sum of \$2,550.76 for automobile expense (excluding the purchase of a new car) when the town had expressly appropriated the sum of \$550 for such purposes, and then charging the excess overdraft to Temporary Aid, an appropriation designed for relief to recipients, is a striking example of the utter disregard for the appropriations voted by the town meeting. If the welfare department deemed the appropriation insufficient, the situation could have been called to the attention of the voters at a special town meeting or application could have been made to the finance committee for additional funds.

**Temporary Aid:—**

Overdraft permitted in accordance with Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws .....		\$27,887.74
Charges transferred by audit adjustments from:		
Highways—W.P.A. Materials .....	\$164.62	
Public Welfare—Auto Expense .....	148.00	
		312.62
		<u>\$28,200.36</u>
Deduct—charges transferred by audit ad- justment to:		
Public Welfare—Clerk's Salary .....	30.00	
Public Welfare—Office Expense .....	50.81	
Public Welfare—Auto Expense .....	2,148.26	
Soldiers' Relief .....	57.00	2,286.07
		<u>\$25,914.29</u>
Overdraft December 31, 1937...		<u>\$25,914.29</u>

An overdraft of \$27,887.74 in the Temporary Aid account was permitted by Selectmen Avery and Cahill, as follows:

Recorded Date— Vote Passed	Amount Authorized	For Period
October 20, 1937	\$2,271.61	October 1937
October 29, 1937	10,924.81	November 1937
December 8, 1937	14,691.32	December 1937
Total .....	<u>\$27,887.74</u>	

**Old Age Assistance:—**

The overdraft of \$11,382.07 in this department was permitted by Selectmen Avery and Cahill in a series of seven votes, definite in amount, and recorded as passed on dates from October 14, 1937 to December 31, 1937. A study of the payments charged against this account resulted in a reclassification of the overdrawn accounts, equal in total to the original amount, but separated as follows:

Old Age Assistance .....	\$11,157.13
Salary of Investigator .....	60.00
Office Expense .....	32.50
Automobile Expense .....	132.44
Total .....	<u>\$11,382.07</u>

The charges for investigator's salary were separated inasmuch as this item was considered separately by the town meeting, no appropriation however being voted and all other charges for investigator's salary being regularly paid from the Federal Grant accounts.

The payments for office expense charged to "Old Age Assistance" created an overdraft in the appropriation voted specifically for that purpose by the town.

The payments for automobile expense were segregated for the reason that while there was no specific appropriation for "Old Age Assistance—Automobile Expense" voted, the vote under Article 44 of the warrant for the annual meeting for 1937 was in such detail as to clearly imply that the appropriation for Old Age Assistance was intended for assistance to recipients.

The payments for investigator's salary, office expense, and automobile expense could have been properly charged against the Federal Grant for Old Age Assistance—Administration if funds in this account were on hand.

#### **Soldiers' Relief:—**

Overdrafts permitted under Section 31, Chapter 44:

September 30, 1937 .....	\$28.43	
October 31, 1937 .....	1,107.94	
November 30, 1937 .....	1,959.00	
December 31, 1937 .....	3,941.54	
		\$7,036.91

Charges transferred by audit adjustment from Temporary Aid .....		57.00
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Overdraft December 31, 1937 ..		<u>\$7,093.91</u>
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#### **Military Aid:—**

The overdraft of \$330 shown on the balance sheet was permitted by four votes recorded as passed between September 30, 1937, and December 31, 1937, under the provisions of Section 31; Chapter 44, General Laws.

#### **Fire Insurance on Buildings and Contents:—**

The overdraft of \$179.78 in this account as shown on the adjusted audit balance sheet was originally closed out by the town accountant by merging this account with other insurance accounts, despite the fact that they were separate, specific appropriations as voted by the town meeting.

#### **W.P.A. Office Expense:—**

The overdraft of \$50.86 in this account on December 31, 1937 was set up by the audit adjustment correcting the charging of a telephone bill for the W.P.A. office in the town hall which was paid on December 30, 1937, from the Highways—W.P.A. Materials account. The amount of this bill would normally be transferred by the Finance Committee from their "Special Reserve—W.P.A." account.

In numerous instances previously detailed in this report, votes of the selectmen were found recorded purporting to authorize overdrafts. Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws, reads as follows:

"No department of any city or town, except Boston, shall incur liability in excess of the appropriation made for the use of



such department, except in cases of extreme emergency involving the health or safety of persons or property, and then only by a vote in a city of two-thirds of the members of the city council, and in a town by a vote of two-thirds of the selectmen."

It will be noted that this section only authorizes liabilities to be incurred and that no provision is made for the payment of these liabilities. Furthermore many of the payments authorized by the selectmen can hardly be considered as coming within the scope of "extreme emergency involving the health or safety of persons and property."

In this connection attention is called to the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court in the case of Continental Construction Company vs. City of Lawrence, filed June 29, 1937, wherein the court stated, "the conditions which will permit the lawful incurring of extraordinary indebtedness must exist in truth and in fact," and the court added that a vote by the city council (selectmen) declaring the existence of a state of emergency had no presumptive or evidential force in establishing the existence in fact of an emergency.

It would certainly seem that the proper method of procedure, in view of the extent of the overdrafts, would have been to call a special town meeting to consider the entire matter.

A detailed examination of all vouchers and pay-rolls paid during the period of the audit was made. A very large number of the paid bills lacked the approval of the head of the department or of the majority of the board authorized to expend the appropriation to which the bill was charged. This is contrary to Section 56, Chapter 41, General Laws, which reads as follows:

"The selectmen and all boards, committees, heads of departments and officers authorized to expend money shall approve and transmit to the town accountant as often as once each month all bills, drafts and orders chargeable to the respective appropriations of which they have the expenditure. The town accountant shall examine all such bills, drafts or orders, and, if found correct and approved as herein provided, shall draw a warrant upon the treasurer for the payment of the same, and the treasurer shall pay no money from the treasury except upon such warrant approved by the selectmen."

In some instances the town accountant had on file blanket approvals and orders delegating authority to approve bills, all of which should not have been considered, inasmuch as no such authority is provided by law; but, as stated, in many other instances the necessary approvals were lacking.

In checking some of these bills to the departmental records of expenditures, no record of the purchase could be found in the books of the department involved, and from the detail of some of these purchases, it is doubtful whether the department to whom the purchase was charged received the benefit of the goods paid for.

A large number of vouchers, including personal expense bills, lacked sufficient detail to substantiate the charge. No bill should be placed on a warrant for payment, unless the voucher is in sufficient detail to allow the town accountant to establish the correctness of the charge.

It was noted that pay-rolls for the majority of the town departments were paid on December 16, 1937, for the two-week period in



advance of the end of the year. This practice is contrary to law and should be discontinued.

A number of payments were found to have been made by the electric light department from its petty cash advance which should have been submitted to the town accountant in the regular manner and paid directly by the town treasurer as required by Section 35, Chapter 41, General Laws.

In checking the paid vouchers it was further found that payments were made for insurance and registration of privately owned cars, a payment of \$256 being made for repairing the fire chief's garage located on privately-owned land but charged to the town appropriation for maintenance of the Fire and Police Station; and that a payment for compensation as Old Age Assistance Administrator was made to a member of the Board of Public Welfare.

In connection with the last mentioned item the following votes were found recorded on the books of the Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare:

**March 2, 1937**—Organized Boards of Selectmen and Public Welfare:—

John H. Cahill, Chairman of Selectmen  
Edward Avery, Clerk of Selectmen  
Edward Avery, Chairman of Public Welfare  
John H. Cahill, Clerk of Public Welfare.

**March 19, 1937**—Organized Bureau of Old Age Assistance:—

Edward Avery, Chairman  
Edward D. Brown, Clerk  
John H. Cahill, Member

**March 22, 1937**—Voted at a joint meeting of the Board of Public Welfare and the Bureau of Old Age Assistance to elect John H. Cahill as Administrator in the Old Age Assistance Bureau at a salary of \$1,500 for the balance of the year.

**May 3, 1937**—Organized Bureau of Old Age Assistance:—

Edward Avery, Chairman  
Daniel Corcoran, Clerk  
Fred A. Tenney, Member

Appointed John H. Cahill as Administrator at salary of \$1,500 from April 1, 1937.

Appointed Edward D. Brown as Investigator.

In accordance with the above votes John H. Cahill, a member of the Board of Public Welfare, was paid \$38.45 per week, as Administrator of Old Age Assistance, starting on April 9, 1937.

Commencing with approximately the same date, the salary of John H. Cahill as a member of the Board of Selectmen and as a member of the Board of Public Welfare was paid to his fellow member Edward Avery, in accordance with the written authorization to the town accountant of John H. Cahill which was dated March 19, 1937.

This entire transaction is illegal, as it is an attempt to circumvent the provisions of Section 4-A, Chapter 41, General Laws, which would require the authorization of the town meeting for such an appointment; of the provisions of Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, which requires the town meeting to fix the compensation of all elective officials; and of the provisions of Section 2, Article 5 of the town By-Laws, which forbids the appointment by a board of any of its

members to a salaried position. In considering the above matter, it should be borne in mind that the local Bureau of Old Age Assistance, as set up by Chapter 436, Acts of 1936, is solely an advisory board, whose acts, to have any legal standing, require the ratification by the Local Board of Public Welfare.

As a result of the errors found in the charging of bills against 1938 appropriations, the reclassification of charges against those accounts for the highway, public welfare, soldiers' relief, and insurance departments was made during the course of the audit in co-operation with the heads of the departments having control of the expenditure of these funds for the remainder of the year 1938.

It was noted that expenditures for snow removal in January and February, 1938 were in each case in excess of the amount allowed by Section 13, Chapter 44, General Laws.

The annual town meeting for 1938 voted the sum of \$700 for "Public Welfare Administration—Automobile Repairs and Supplies" as well as \$700 for a new automobile. The \$700 for automobile expense was an increase of \$150 over a similar appropriation in 1937, but, nevertheless, a total of \$858.68 was expended in the first four months of 1938 for this purpose, creating an overdraft of \$158.68 on April 30, 1938.

It was also noted that the Soldiers' Relief Expense appropriation for 1938 of \$100 was overdrawn by \$20.33 on April 30, 1938. While the sum voted for the year appears to be inadequate, there is, nevertheless, no justification for the charging of 400 or 500 miles a month travel by the agent at eight cents a mile, especially as it was reported that the public welfare department gasoline tank was available to the soldiers' relief department at the same time.

Overdrafts in the automobile liability insurance account for 1938 of \$118.78 and in the burglary insurance account for 1938 of \$157.60 were established as of April 30, 1938, when the individual insurance appropriations voted by the town were separated on the accountant's ledger.

In examining the paid bills, it was noted that certain departments had paid, in some instances, a price which was in excess of what other departments had paid for similar purchases and in excess of what a municipality should be able to purchase them. It is recommended that extreme care be used by all departments in making purchases to obtain the lowest available price to the municipality, and that precautions be taken to insure to the municipality the benefits of all discounts to which it may be entitled.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the records in the several departments in which money was collected for the town or in which charges originated, with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, and with the accountant's books. The recorded payments were checked with the warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds and with the records in the accountant's office.

The treasurer's cash book footings were verified and the cash balance on April 9, 1938, was proved by actual count of the cash in the office, by listing certain cash memoranda, by a reconciliation of the bank balance with statements certified by the banks of deposit, and by an inspection of the savings bank books and of the several certificates of deposit.



The recorded payments on account of maturing debt and interest were proved with the amounts falling due, being checked with the cancelled checks, securities, and coupons on file. The outstanding coupons were listed and reconciled with the balance in the bond and coupon account as shown by a statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

The savings bank books and securities representing the trust and retirement fund investments in the custody of the town treasurer and the treasurer of the library trustees were examined and listed, the income, withdrawals, and balance being found to be as reported.

Appended to this report are tables showing a reconciliation of the town treasurer's cash of the bond and coupon accounts, and of the library treasurer's cash, as well as summaries of the trust fund transactions.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax and assessment accounts outstanding on the date of the previous examination were audited, and all subsequent commitments were verified and compared with the assessors' warrants for their collection.

The collector's cash books were footed, the recorded collection being compared with the payments to the treasurer as shown by the treasurer's and the accountant's books and the cash balance on April 9, 1938, being verified by actual count of cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank.

The recorded abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the taxes and assessments transferred to the tax title account were reconciled with the records of tax titles held by the town, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the ledger accounts.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined, reconciled with the collector's, treasurer's, and accountant's books, and checked with the tax title deeds on hand and with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

Tables showing summaries of the tax, assessment, and tax title accounts are appended to this report.

The assessors' records of abatements granted and of warrants issued were examined and compared with the collector's books. The computation of the tax rate for 1937 was checked. The records of assessments apportioned were examined, and the apportioned assessments not due were reconciled with the accountant's deferred revenue accounts.

The town clerk's financial records were examined and checked in detail. The collections on account of sporting and dog licenses issued were verified and compared with the recorded payments to the State, county and town.

The selectmen's records of receipts from licenses granted and from other sources were examined and the recorded collections were checked with the books of the town treasurer.

The commitments of departmental accounts receivable were examined and checked. The recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, the abatements and disallowances were checked to the proper authorizations, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved to the accountant's ledger. It is recommended



that a determined effort be made to secure a settlement of these accounts, and that those accounts found to be uncollectible be abated by the department which committed the accounts.

The records of departmental cash collections by the sealer of weights and measures, by the inspector of buildings, as well as by the moth, health, school, library and cemetery departments, and of all other departments in which money was collected for the town, were examined and checked. The payments to the town treasurer were verified and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

The sum of \$416 found to be due from the former health agent was paid to the town during the course of the audit.

The books and accounts of the electric light department were examined and checked. The consumers' ledger cards and the controls were examined, the collections as posted to the consumers' ledger cards were compared with the payments to the treasurer, and a detailed list of outstanding accounts was drawn off and reconciled with the departmental control of accounts receivable and with the town accountant's books.

The Departmental ledger accounts were analyzed, being reconciled with the town accountant's ledger, and a trial balance was taken off, proving the accounts to be in balance.

The records of guarantee deposits for electric light service were examined, the refunds of deposits and interest were verified and the balance on hand reconciled.

The records of water charges were examined. The recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, the abatements were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger.

Verification of the correctness of the outstanding tax, assessment, departmental, electric light and water accounts was obtained by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

Appended to this report are tables showing summaries of the departmental accounts.

The surety bonds furnished by the several town officials required by law to furnish such surety were examined and found to be in proper form.

For the co-operation and assistance rendered by all the town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,  
Assistant Director of Accounts.

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Detailed tables are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
**Fire Department**  
OF THE  
**Town of Braintree**  
FOR THE YEAR 1938





## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit to you the annual report of the Fire Department of the fiscal year ending December 31, 1938.

Total number of calls during the year—433, divided as follows:

Box Alarms	Month	Still Alarms
5.....	January .....	17
7.....	February .....	21
8.....	March .....	104
4.....	April .....	65
3.....	May .....	25
2.....	June .....	18
3.....	July .....	28
4.....	August .....	18
3.....	September .....	22
8.....	October .....	23
4.....	November .....	14
7.....	December .....	20
<hr/> 58.....	<hr/> Total .....	<hr/> 375

## TOTAL CALLS IN EACH PRECINCT

Month	Precinct One	Precinct Two	Precinct Three
January .....	8	7	7
February .....	12	7	9
March .....	41	32	39
April .....	28	20	21
May .....	9	5	14
June .....	10	7	3
July .....	9	17	5
August .....	6	8	8
September .....	9	7	9
October .....	10	8	13
November .....	8	3	7
December .....	12	6	9
<hr/> Total .....	<hr/> 162	<hr/> 127	<hr/> 144

## TOTAL CALLS THAT EACH PIECE ANSWERED

Month	Chief's Car	Engine No. 1	Engine No. 3	Ladder No. 1	Squad A	Squad B
January	21	5	5	12	16	19
February	26	5	5	9	13	24
March	101	10	11	13	45	86
April	57	2	8	7	23	55
May	25	5	3	8	14	23
June	17	3	3	6	7	16
July	25	4	5	6	10	20
August	18	3	2	5	8	14
September	22	5	1	8	11	19
October	25	10	5	12	21	17
November	18	3	5	8	12	17
December	24	6	7	13	18	23
Total	379	61	60	107	198	333

Month	Hose Laid (Feet)		Chemicals Used (Gals.)	Booster Used (Gals.)	Ladders Used (Feet)	Engines Pumped Water (Hrs.) (Mins.)	
	(2½)	(1½)					
January	2600	100		1650	260	3	40
February	2400	750	3	1310	300	3	15
March	3700	250		9140	220	14	10
April	1200	1750		6025	145	9	15
May	650	350	3	2250	75	2	55
June	500		3	795	110	1	20
July	1650	100	3	1100	80	1	45
August	3100	500		1600	100	4	20
September				1530	25	2	
October	300	600		1630	82	3	
November	1250			620	95	2	30
December	900			1835	245	5	5
Total	18250	4400	12	29485	1737	53	15





Month	Valuation of Buildings	Insurance on Buildings	Damage to Buildings	Insurance Paid on Buildings
January	\$73,300.00	\$61,500.00	\$2,165.60	\$2,160.60
February	56,100.00	48,900.00	3,506.03	3,506.03
March	37,800.00	30,650.00	3,265.59	3,265.59
April	55,400.00	22,000.00	1,758.00	1,658.00
May	21,500.00	18,250.00	1,575.00	1,575.00
June	18,950.00	14,500.00	990.00	990.00
July	175,200.00	150,000.00	1,363.55	1,363.55
August	9,000.00	8,000.00	1,647.00	1,647.00
September	29,500.00	22,000.00	365.00	340.00
October	23,500.00	22,000.00	78.00	78.00
November	4,500.00	2,000.00	165.00	165.00
December	35,900.00	27,400.00	1,859.95	1,859.95
Total	\$540,650.00	\$427,200.00	\$18,738.72	\$18,608.72

## OIL STILL FIRE

Valuation of Still	Insurance on Still	Damage to Still	Ins. Paid on Still
\$200,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00

Month	Valuation of Contents	Insurance on Contents	Damage to Contents	Ins. Paid on Contents
January	\$25,100.00	\$13,500.00	\$846.00	\$421.00
February	9,500.00	7,000.00	1,205.00	1,005.00
March	8,000.00	4,500.00	761.00	761.00
April	12,000.00	5,000.00	105.20	105.20
May	11,000.00	6,000.00	426.98	426.98
June	6,000.00	2,000.00	150.00	
July	165,000.00	165,000.00	200.00	200.00
August	1,500.00			
September	11,500.00	9,000.00	87.00	87.00
October	11,500.00	9,000.00	146.00	146.00
November	1,500.00	1,500.00	64.00	64.00
December	11,000.00	3,500.00	532.00	132.00
Total	\$273,600.00	\$226,000.00	\$4,523.18	\$3,348.18



PERMITS GRANTED DURING THE YEAR

Inspected and granted for range oil burners.....	160
Inspected and granted for heating apparatus burners.....	120
Inspected and granted for fireworks.....	19
Granted to set fires in open air.....	289
Total .....	588

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE STORAGE  
OF LIGHT FUEL OIL FOR RANGE BURNERS  
IN THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE

1. Not more than 10 gallons of light fuel oil shall be stored in any building or structure, unless, in a 16 gauge galvanized steel tank, labeled and approved.
2. Storage tanks for light fuel oil which are not directly connected to an oil burner shall be equipped with an approved faucet of the self-closing and lock type.
3. Tanks within building or other structure for the storage and keeping of light fuel oil in excess of 10 gallons shall be installed on or below the lowest floor of the building or structure.
4. No storage tank shall be nearer than 7 feet from any open fire or flame.
5. All necessary support for tanks shall be of substantial masonry or metal construction.
6. No light fuel oil tank shall be equipped with a glass gauge or any gauge, the breaking of which shall allow the oil to escape from the tank.
7. A bucket of sand and a scoop shall be kept with each light fuel oil burner located in a position accessible for use.
8. In excess of 10 gallons an application for a permit must be filed and a permit must be obtained from the Chief of the Fire Department for the keeping and storage of light fuel oil in any building or structure.

STATE LAW

A State Law was enacted regulating the passage of Fire Apparatus responding to fires. The law requires the driver of a vehicle to drive to the right hand curb and stop until the apparatus has passed. To remain at a distance of (300) feet behind apparatus and restricting the parking of a vehicle within (600) feet of a fire.

The City Service ladder truck now in service in the Braintree Fire Department was purchased in the year of 1923. The truck in general has given considerable trouble in the last 4 years and the ladders are unsafe for fire and rescue work, therefore: I recommend the purchase of a 65 foot Service Aerial ladder truck to replace the City Service ladder truck now in service.

In conclusion: I wish to extend my thanks to the Honorable Board of Selectmen, to the members of the Finance Committee, and to the Police Department for their co-operation and interest in the welfare of the Department.

To all others that have volunteered their services or assisted the Department in any manner. The officers and members of the Department have my commendation and sincere thanks for the efficient and faithful manner in which they have performed their duties.

Respectfully submitted,  
FRED A. TENNEY,  
Chief of Fire Department.

## REPORT OF THE FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen.

I respectfully submit to you the annual report of the Fire Alarm System for the year 1938.

The Fire Department has the supervision of the installation, repairs, equipment and maintenance of the Fire Alarm Signal System.

### WORK DONE DURING THE YEAR

Painted all fire alarm boxes and bands.

Replaced all poor bands on poles.

Put new back boards on fire alarm boxes where needed.

Checked all circuits daily and cleared the same of grounds.

Inspected and tested all fire alarm boxes monthly and after a severe storm.

Weekly box test at noon on Saturdays.

Replaced 8 gong coils and 3 box coils.

Renewed 206 cross arms.

Installed 2 six-inch gongs.

Renewed 23,165 feet of line wire.

Installed 3 ground rods.

There were 3 open circuits during the year caused by falling trees, poles and lightning.

Installed a Master fire alarm box, No. 352, at the corner of Washington Street and Webster Road, connected to the sprinkler system in the Hollis School.

The last 9 old interfering fire alarm boxes have been replaced with new Positive Non-Interfering Succession type boxes. All boxes now in service are of the latest type.

The Fire Alarm System was badly damaged by the hurricane on September 21, 1938. The system went out of service at 5:30 P.M. All permanent men were called back to duty. Complete service was restored in 48 hours.

All hurricane damage has been replaced with new construction.

In conclusion: I wish to extend my sincere thanks to our Tree Warden for the valuable assistance rendered in allowing us to trim trees through which Fire Alarm wires pass, to the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company and to the Braintree Electric Light Department for their co-operation and assistance rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. TENNEY,  
Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

## REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

January 6, 1939.

Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Building Department for the year 1938:

Permits Issued		Estimated Values
Dwelling	69	\$293,800.00
Garages	50	9,685.00
Ice House	1	3,000.00
Poultry Houses	6	505.00
Alterations & Repairs	66	30,379.00
Damage by fire	3	1,550.00
Razing	5	200.00
Work Shops	2	800.00
Shed	1	50.00
Club Room	2	1,600.00
Foundations	4	1,975.00
Pump House	1	2,000.00
Offices & Show Rooms	14	8,250.00
Gasoline Stations	2	900.00
Roadside Stands	2	375.00
Factories	2	15,000.00
Estimated value of permits		\$370,069.00
Fees received for permits		554.00
Total permits issued		230

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED H. HOLBROOK,  
Building Inspector.



## REPORT OF THE W.P.A. OFFICE FOR THE YEAR 1938

January 3, 1939.

Mr. Henry D. Higgins, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall  
South Braintree, Massachusetts

I submit herewith a report of the W.P.A. Co-ordinator or Sponsor's Agent, for the year 1938. Items covering events prior to October 13th were taken from available figures. Since that time I have revised the Filing and Bookkeeping Systems and installed a new Card Index of workers.

During the year 1938, we have had 424 applications for work, and have employed on an average of 303 persons each month.

Attached is a list of the projects worked on during the year, and the average number employed on each monthly.

The following projects have been submitted and accepted by Washington, and are now ready for operation:

Project	Federal Funds	Sponsor's Funds	Total
Mosquito Control . . . . .	\$9,658.00	\$2,391.00	\$12,049.00
Hollingsworth Park . . . . .	23,345.00	6,765.00	30,110.00
Standpipe Drains . . . . .	5,067.26	1,774.50	6,841.76
Plain Street Cemetery Wall.	12,964.00	4,878.00	17,842.00
Grand Total . . . . .	<u>\$51,034.26</u>	<u>\$15,808.50</u>	<u>\$66,842.76</u>

The projects listed below have been submitted, and are at the present time awaiting presidential approval:

Project	Federal Funds	Sponsor's Funds	Total
West Street Culverts . . . . .	\$18,536.00	\$10,896.00	\$29,432.00
Water Drains . . . . .	21,710.00	11,137.00	32,847.00
Roadside Beautification . . . .	20,839.00	7,525.00	28,364.00
Quincy Ave. Improvements.	3,668.00	1,091.00	4,759.00
Town Wide Curbs . . . . .	56,351.00	33,968.00	90,319.00
Painting School Buildings..	4,125.00	1,965.00	6,090.00
Community Building . . . . .	9,527.00	3,840.00	13,367.00
Grand Total . . . . .	<u>\$134,756.00</u>	<u>\$70,422.00</u>	<u>\$205,178.00</u>

We have several new projects in view, namely:

## PROJECTS

### Renovate Town Hall Group

Thayer Public Library  
War Memorial and Grounds

At an approximate cost to the Town of \$9,000.00.

### Stadium on Hollis Field

To include permanent stands, temporary stands, football field, baseball field, track, field hockey rink, and tennis courts, at an approximate cost to the Town of \$12,000.00.

### Plain Street Cemetery Survey

Including the laying out of "avenues" and "walks", and placing numbered corner stones on each lot; also a cross index file giving full information about the lot.

The Book Repair, Vital Statistics, Sewing, Recreational, and N.Y.A. Projects have all been extended or renewed, and are all working at the present time.

## DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE W.P.A. ADMINISTRATION FUND FROM MARCH 15, 1938 TO DECEMBER 31, 1938 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Book Repair Project .....	\$ 78.61
History .....	30.99
Recreation .....	496.65
Sewing .....	2,483.90
Vital Statistics .....	225.77
Squantum .....	805.75
Commodities .....	937.57
National Youth Administration .....	131.51
Office .....	2,483.06
Grand Total .....	\$7,673.81

I have found that all the W.P.A. officials, as well as all persons in the Town Hall, have co-operated with me 100%.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. KILMAIN,  
Sponsor's Agent.

PROJECTS WORKED ON DURING 1938 AND MONTHLY AVERAGE OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED

Project	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Great Pond	74	75	95	91	75	75	57	28	60	68	73	68
Penniman School	18	39	39	—	—	—	25	29	25	—	—	—
Sewer Construction	25	24	22	21	58	63	63	56	54	43	43	39
Cedarcliff Road	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
History	14	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Recreation	10	10	10	10	10	9	9	10	10	10	10	10
Sewing	18	19	19	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
Bookbinding	5	5	5	5	5	5	7	7	7	8	8	8
Gypsy Moth	15	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Street Signs	—	—	—	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Town Wide Streets	—	—	—	—	60	109	109	100	109	33	52	51
Water Mains	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	28	34	32	30	26
School Grounds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	21	19
Flood & Storm Damage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	76	57	20
Improve Public thoroughfares	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31
Commodities	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Squantum	—	—	—	—	27	27	27	27	27	33	33	36
Vital Statistics	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	8	8	8	8
Housekeeping Aid	—	—	—	—	5	5	5	5	5	7	7	7
N.Y.A. Boys	—	—	—	—	—	10	20	19	16	16	18	18
N.Y.A. Girls	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	7	7	7	7
Brookside Avenue	57	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	256	272	194	151	264	327	368	344	385	389	390	371





ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
**Police Department**  
OF THE  
**Town of Braintree**  
FOR THE YEAR 1938



REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 1, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Braintree Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

Whole Number of Arrests .....	370
Male .....	345
Female .....	25
Residents .....	220
Non-Residents .....	150

No. 1 CRIMES AGAINST PERSON.....26

Offences	Male	Female	Resi.	Non-Resi.	Total
Assault and Battery .....	11	—	7	4	11
Assault—Dangerous Weapon..	1	1	1	1	2
Rape, Attempts .....	3	—	2	1	3
Robbery .....	8	—	—	8	8
Threats .....	2	—	1	1	2
	—	—	—	—	—
	25	1	11	15	26

No. 2—CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY.....27

Breaking and Entering.....	9	—	4	5	9
Breaking Glass .....	1	—	1	—	1
Larceny .....	7	—	3	4	7
Larceny automobile .....	7	—	3	4	7
Trespass .....	—	2	2	—	2
Trespass of Swine .....	1	—	—	1	1
	—	—	—	—	—
	25	2	13	14	27



No. 3   CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER.....317

Offences	Male	Female	Resi.	Non-	Total
				Resi.	
Adultery .....	1	1	2	—	2
Delinquency .....	23	1	20	4	24
Disturbing Peace .....	1	—	1	—	1
Dog Keeping, Unlicensed .....	2	—	2	—	2
Driving to Endanger .....	2	—	—	2	2
Driving Under Influence .....	16	—	8	8	16
Drunkenness .....	191	14	136	69	205
Fish & Game Law, Viol.....	4	—	—	4	4
Fornication .....	1	1	2	—	2
Illegitimate Child Act, Viol...	3	—	2	1	3
Lewd Cohabitation .....	1	1	2	—	2
Lewdness .....	1	—	—	1	1
Motor Vehicle Law, Viol.....	25	1	8	18	26
Neglect—Non-Support .....	9	—	2	7	9
Tramps .....	1	—	—	1	1
Probation, Violating .....	7	—	5	2	7
Default .....	5	—	2	3	5
Illegal Gas Signs .....	1	—	1	—	1
Health Law, Violating.....	—	2	2	—	2
Milk Law, Violating .....	1	—	—	1	1
Carrying Revolver w/o Permit	—	1	1	—	1
	295	22	196	121	317

RECAPITULATION:

No. 1	Crimes Against Person .....	26
No. 2	Crimes Against Property .....	27
No. 3	Crimes Against Public Order.....	317
		370

COMPLAINTS, ETC.

Ambulance Trips .....	218
Buildings Found Open .....	94
Cat Complaints .....	161
Dog Complaints .....	622
Drunk Releases .....	151
Fire Alarms Answered .....	72
Holes in Streets Reported .....	97
Insane Cases—FR .....	4
—MR .....	5
Lanterns Put Out .....	106
Lodging Given .....	16
Messages Delivered .....	345
Missing Persons—FR .....	28
—MR .....	30
—MNR .....	7
—FNR .....	4

Stolen Cars—Braintree .....	12
Stolen Cars Recovered .....	14
Street Lights Reported Out .....	75
Sudden Deaths—MR .....	4
—FR .....	3
—FNR .....	2
Sunday Permits—Labor .....	56
Wagon Trips .....	59
Miscellaneous Complaints .....	2186
Subpoenas—Braintree .....	19
—Out of Town .....	29
Summonses—Braintree .....	41
—Out of Town .....	231
Auto Accidents: Minor .....	87
Serious .....	83

**Code on Auto Accidents:**

Minor: Accident in which Property Damage only, is incurred.

Serious: Accident in which Personal Injury, however slight, is sustained.

**Code on Missing Persons, Sudden Deaths, Insane:**

MR—Male Resident

FR—Female Resident

MNR—Male None-Resident

FNR—Female Non-Resident

For the year 1939 I have recommended the purchase of two new cars to replace the present cars in use.

I have also recommended the appointment of two new Regular Patrolmen.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and to all who have shown a spirit of co-operation toward my department.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. HEANEY,  
Chief.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
**Town Accountant**  
OF THE  
**Town of Braintree**  
FROM  
December 31, '37 to December 31, '38





TOWN OF BRAINTREE  
Balance Sheet—December 31, 1938  
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash—General .....	\$230,014.55
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Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1937—Poll—Personal—Real..	\$ 46,872.09	
Levy of 1938—Real.....	246,478.59	
Levy of 1938—Personal.....	3,842.35	
Levy of 1938—Poll.....	280.00	
		297,473.03

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1937.....	\$ 291.81	
Levy of 1938.....	771.71	
		1,063.52

Special Assessments:

Sewer:

Unapportioned .....	\$ 1,813.26	
Apportioned 1937 .....	1,134.95	
Apportioned 1938 .....	5,088.29	

Sewer House Connections:

Unapportioned .....	3,560.03	
Apportioned 1937 .....	65.44	
Apportioned 1938 .....	371.55	

Streets:

Apportioned 1937 .....	51.50	
Apportioned 1938 .....	634.00	

Committed Interest:

Levy of 1937.....	541.87	
Levy of 1938.....	2,425.04	
		15,685.93

Tax Titles and Possessions:

Tax Titles .....	\$ 77,080.16	
Tax Titles Possessions.....	38,135.99	
		115,216.15

Departmental:

Welfare & ADC "118".....	\$ 35,484.12	
Old Age Assistance.....	20,361.16	
Soldiers' Relief .....	134.68	
Health .....	2,507.27	
		58,487.23
Water Dept. Rates, etc. ....		24,023.69
Electric Light .....		41,856.44
State Aid to Highways.....		3,225.12

## Unprovided for and Overdrawn Accounts:

## Underestimates:

State Tax and Assessments.....	38,090.70
Tax Judgments .....	98.84

## Overlay Deficits:

Levy of 1936 .....	\$ 16.52	
Levy of 1937.....	1,048.08	
		<u>1,064.60</u>

## 1937 Appropriation Overdrafts:

Selectmen's Expenses .....	\$ 73.19	
Town Hall Maintenance.....	549.35	
Traffic Duty Br. Highlands Bridge.....	156.60	
Highway—Supt. Salary .....	46.75	
Highway—Supplies .....	7.69	
Highway—Repairs to Equipment.....	3,015.54	
Highway—All Other .....	311.66	
Highway—Snow Removal .....	2,538.86	
Highway—Commercial St. Drain.....	194.50	
Public Welfare—Infirmity Exp.....	1,370.57	
Public Welfare—Clerk's Salary.....	30.00	
Public Welfare—Office Exp.....	50.09	
Public Welfare—Auto Exp.....	2,000.76	
Public Welfare—Temporary Aid.....	25,914.29	
O. A. A.—Investigator's Salary.....	60.00	
O. A. A.—Office Expense .....	32.50	
O. A. A.—Auto Expense .....	132.44	
Old Age Assistance.....	11,157.13	
Soldiers' Relief .....	7,093.91	
Military Aid .....	330.00	
Fire Ins. on Bldgs. & Contents.....	179.78	
W.P.A. Office Expense.....	50.86	
		<u>55,296.47</u>
		<u><u>\$881,596.27</u></u>

## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

## Temporary Loans:

In anticipation of 1938 Revenue.....	\$200,000.00
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## Tailings:

Unclaimed Checks .....	2,844.02
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## Trust Fund Income:

Charles Thayer .....	\$ 460.81	
Jos. S. Miller.....	1.54	
Kelley Trust .....	.43	
Charles E. French .....	30.24	
Ann M. Penniman School.....	59.28	
Julia A. Minchin.....	7.18	
Avis A. Thayer.....	7.08	
Braintree Tercentenary .....	19.94	
Hannah R. Hollis—Cemetery. ....	6.52	
		<u>593.02</u>

## Federal Grants:

Sewer P.W.A. Reserved for Maturing Debt.....	16,877.77
Sewer Receipts—Reserved for Appropriation.....	29,765.66
Electric Light Available Surplus.....	3,573.26
Water Dept. Available Surplus.....	6,336.97
Sale of Real Estate.....	1,600.00
Overestimates 1938—State Assessments.....	5,373.18
Dog Licenses—County.....	63.40
Overlay 1938 Taxes.....	5,659.75

## Unexpended Appropriation Balances:

## Revenue:

Highways Chapter 90—Church St.....\$	911.70	
Highways W.P.A. Activities .....	2,122.96	
Highways Chapter 500.....	6,143.09	
Schools W.P.A. Activities.....	2,126.24	
Legion Bldg. W.P.A. New Boiler, etc....	900.00	
Electric Light Depreciation Fund.....	109,168.64	
Water Department Filtration Plant....	175.07	
Water Department Dike—Great Pond..	103.08	
	<hr/>	121,650.78

## Non Revenue:

## General:

Sewer W.P.A. Activities.....\$	1,945.78	
Sewer Drainage Study .....	1,001.47	
Schools—New Southwest .....	332.25	
Water—Commercial Pipe Lines.....	556.99	
	<hr/>	3,836.49
Reserve Fund Overlay.....		1,490.95
Schools—Deferred Teachers' Salaries.....		7,294.32

## Revenue—Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax.....\$	1,063.52	
Special Assessment Revenue.....	15,685.93	
Tax Title Revenue.....	115,216.15	
Departmental Revenue .....	58,487.23	
Water Department Revenue .....	24,023.69	
Electric Light Dept. Revenue.....	41,856.44	
State Aid to Highways.....	3,225.12	
	<hr/>	259,558.08

Surplus Revenue—E. & D.....	\$215,078.62
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\$881,596.27



# DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Assessments Not Due:			
Sewer	.....	\$77,694.16	
Due in 1938	.....	2.50	
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		\$ 77,696.66	
Sewer House Connections		.....	6,776.00
Streets		.....	3,189.40
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			\$ 77,696.66

Apportioned Sewer House Connection Revenue:	
Due in 1939	.....\$ 840.00
Due in 1940	.....840.00
Due in 1941	.....835.00
Due in 1942	.....805.00
Due in 1943	.....785.00
Due in 1944	.....760.00
Due in 1945	.....740.00
Due in 1946	.....735.00
Due in 1947	.....436.00
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	6,776.00

Apportioned Street Assessment Revenue:	
Due in 1939	.....\$ 1,708.40
Due in 1940	.....781.00
Due in 1941	.....700.00
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	3,189.40
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	\$ 87,662.06

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt.....	\$809,881.17	Police & Fire Station Loan.....	\$ 52,000.00
		Sewerage Loan .....	522,000.00
		School Loan .....	204,000.00
		Water Mains and Standpipe Loan...	6,000.00
		Emergency Finance Loan.....	25,881.17
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			\$809,881.17
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			\$809,881.17
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TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds:		In Custody of Town Treasurer:	
Cash & Securities in Custody		Charles Thayer .....	\$ 20,329.06
of Town Treasurer.....	\$ 62,309.39	Ann Penniman School Fund...	500.00
		Geo. W. Kelley Cemetery Fund	200.00
		Charles E. French Fund.....	2,419.50
		Nathaniel H. Hunt Library Fund	24,276.99
		Hannah R. Hollis Cemetery Fund	100.00
		Julia A. Minchin.....	100.00
		Braintree Tercentenary Fund.	66.77
		Library Foundation Fund.....	11,020.91
		Caleb Stetson Library Fund...	2,500.00
		Rachel R. Thayer Library Fund	172.50
		Avis A. Thayer School Fund...	500.00
		J. S. Miller.....	123.66
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			\$ 62,309.39
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			\$ 62,309.39
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# RETIREMENT SYSTEM ACCOUNTS

Cash and Securities . . . . .	\$ 26,501.19	Annuity Savings Fund . . . . .	\$ 12,636.30
		Expense Fund . . . . .	56.60
		Pension Accumulation Fund . . . . .	13,368.50
		Annuity Reserve Fund . . . . .	433.65
		Income Fund . . . . .	6.14
	<u>\$ 26,501.19</u>		<u>\$ 26,501.19</u>
			<u>\$ 26,501.19</u>

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. MAGLATHLIN,  
Town Accountant.



# 1938 RECAPITULATION

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Appropriation or Balance	Transfers or Refunds		Payments	Balance	Transfers Out
\$ 25.00		Moderator—Salary . . . . .	\$ 25.00		
900.00		Finance Committee . . . . .	843.40	\$ 56.60	
2,000.00		Accountant—Salary . . . . .	2,000.00		
445.00		Accountant—Expenses . . . . .	442.60	2.40	
1,950.00		Selectmen—Salaries (3) . . . . .	1,516.60	433.40	
1,296.00		Selectmen—Secretary . . . . .	1,296.00		
3,500.00		Selectmen—Expenses . . . . .	3,251.72	248.28	
2,000.00		Treasurer—Salary . . . . .	2,000.00		
2,365.00		Treasurer—Expenses . . . . .	2,365.00		
3,409.47	\$ 794.00	Treasurer—Confirming Tax Titles . . . . .	3,318.55	884.92	
2,000.00		Collector—Salary . . . . .	2,000.00		
1,300.00		Collector—Deputy Collector . . . . .	1,300.00		
1,400.00	15.00	Collector—Clerical Help . . . . .	1,405.90	9.10	
2,318.00	164.63	Collector—Expenses . . . . .	2,480.72	1.91	
1,075.00		Collector—Adv. and Recording . . . . .	1,075.00		
3,000.00		Assessors—Salaries (3) . . . . .	3,000.00		
3,172.00		Assessors—Clerks (3) . . . . .	3,172.00		
2,480.00		Assessors—Expenses . . . . .	2,477.86	2.14	
250.00		Assessors—Investigation . . . . .	72.00	178.00	
2,000.00		Law—Town Counsel's Salary . . . . .	2,000.00		
1,000.00		Law—Expenses . . . . .	773.36	226.64	
1,500.00	6.20	Law—Settlement Suits vs. Town . . . . .	1,439.31	66.89	
3,332.80		Law—Land Damages—Union Street . . . . .	3,332.80		

7,000.00  
750.00  
2,000.00  
  
442.00  
300.00  
1,176.00  
608.00  
2,500.00  
3,656.00  
770.00  
2,504.00  
2,000.00  
1,000.00  
1,100.00  
200.00  
348.75

Law—Land Damages .....  
Law—Land Damages—1937 Special...  
Town Clerk—Salary .....  
Town Clerk—Clerical Help .....  
Town Clerk—Expenses .....  
Registrars—Salaries (3) .....  
Election Officials—Janitors, etc. ....  
Registrars Expenses .....  
Engineering—Salary Engineer .....  
Engineering—Salaries .....  
Engineering—Maintenance & Supplies.  
Town Hall—Janitors (2) .....  
Town Hall—Maintenance .....  
Fire & Police Station.....  
Fire & Police Station—Oil.....  
Planning Board .....  
Zoning Committee (Voted & Trans-  
ferred at Special Town Meeting) ....  
  
644.10  
6,355.90  
750.00  
2,000.00  
315.00  
441.25  
300.00  
1,191.00  
843.79  
2,500.00  
3,656.00  
720.37  
2,501.30  
4,010.70  
1,000.00  
1,100.00  
164.35  
  
348.75

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

37,392.79	Police Dept.—Salaries .....	37,402.34	375.65
1,142.40	Police Dept.—Vacations .....	1,132.80	9.60
400.00	Police Dept.—Sickness .....	400.00	
1,250.00	Police Dept.—Pension—Chief .....	1,250.00	
2,231.00	Police Dept.—Pension—Patrolmen (2) .	2,231.00	
100.00	Police Dept.—Dog Officer .....	100.00	
	Police Dept.—Patrol Braintree Reservoir	103.20	46.80
2,145.00	Police Dept.—Expenses .....	2,245.00	

1,282.00	Police Dept.—Automobiles (2) . . . . .	1,279.11	2.89
39,286.46	Fire Dept.—Salaries . . . . .	39,063.50	222.96
800.00	Fire Dept.—Automobile (Transferred at Spec. Town Meeting) . . . . .	781.35	18.65
4,905.00	Fire Dept.—Expenses . . . . .	4,888.40	16.60
2,000.00	Fire Alarm—Salary of Repairman . . . . .	2,000.00	
565.38	Fire Alarm—Extra Help & Vacation . . . . .	522.50	42.88
2,025.00	Fire Alarm—Maintenance . . . . .	2,831.66	43.34
1,000.00	Inspector of Buildings—Salary . . . . .	1,000.00	
100.00	Inspector of Buildings—Expenses . . . . .	100.00	
500.00	Sealer of Weights & Measures—Salary . . . . .	414.15	85.85
200.00	Sealer of Weights & Measures—Exp. . . . .	159.84	40.16
130.00	Sealer of Weights & Measures—Trailer . . . . .	128.70	1.30
600.00	Moth Dept.—Salary Supt. . . . .	600.00	
2,000.00	Moth Dept.—Labor . . . . .	1,995.10	4.90
600.00	Moth Dept.—Expenses . . . . .	599.57	.43
100.00	Moth Dept.—Repairs to Equipment . . . . .	99.98	.02
300.00	Tree Warden—Care of Trees . . . . .	300.00	

### HEALTH AND SANITATION

300.00	Health—Salaries . . . . .	300.00	
1,300.00	Health—Officer . . . . .	1,300.00	
550.00	Health—Expenses . . . . .	592.46	7.54
9,000.00	Health—Contagious Diseases . . . . .	8,954.45	45.55
3,250.00	Health—Garbage Collection . . . . .	2,728.78	21.22
350.00	Health—Inspection of Meat & Prov. . . . .	350.00	
1,200.00	Health—Inspection of Plumbing . . . . .	1,560.90	139.10
200.00	Health—Inspection of Animals . . . . .	200.00	
			500.00



50.00	Health—Vital Statistics . . . . .	50.00
2,000.00	Health—Dental Clinic . . . . .	2,298.33
325.00	Health—Diphtheria Clinic . . . . .	324.15
480.00	Health—Tuberculosis Prevention . . . . .	480.00
9,660.32	Norfolk County Hospital . . . . .	9,660.32
10,000.00	Sewerage—Maintenance . . . . .	10,000.00
10,000.00	Sewerage—House Connections . . . . .	8,741.56
4,808.12	Sewerage—Construction . . . . .	4,956.25
1,250.00	Sewerage—Drainage Study . . . . .	248.53
15,000.00	Sewerage—W.P.A. Activities . . . . .	13,067.59
		1,271.12
		1,001.47
		1,945.78

## HIGHWAYS

2,900.00	Salary of Superintendent . . . . .	2,900.00
500.00	Supplies . . . . .	844.71
10,350.00	Patching . . . . .	9,001.38
8,250.00	Street Cleaning . . . . .	6,968.38
3,000.00	Drains & Catch Basins . . . . .	2,990.36
12,000.00	Tarvia & Sanding . . . . .	9,415.09
3,550.00	Repairs to Equipment . . . . .	7,165.18
2,500.00	Repairs to Sidewalks . . . . .	1,582.06
6,200.00	Gasolene & Oil . . . . .	4,280.13
4,700.00	All Other . . . . .	5,163.23
9,134.23	Church & Center Sts. . . . .	20,780.22
410.00	Sidewalks—Arbutus Avenue . . . . .	
1,333.00	Sidewalks—Wildwood Avenue . . . . .	1,146.17
810.00	Sidewalks—Middle Street . . . . .	755.99
1,320.00	Sidewalks—Hancock Street . . . . .	1,316.57
450.00	Sidewalks—Union St. Widening . . . . .	338.01
		186.83
		54.01
		3.43
		111.99
		1,500.00
		410.00

15,000.00	2,204.39	Sidewalks—W.P.A. Activities . . . . .	15,081.43	2,122.96
16,000.00	7.55	Snow Removal . . . . .	15,627.73	379.82
21,150.00	233.60	Highway, Chapter 500 . . . . .	15,240.51	6,143.09
12,000.00		Street Lighting . . . . .	12,000.00	

# CHARITIES

600.00		Board of Public Welfare—Salaries . . . .	466.60	133.40
1,875.00		Administrator . . . . .	1,875.00	
2,420.00		Visitors (2) . . . . .	2,354.00	66.00
1,092.00		Clerk . . . . .	845.00	247.00
1,560.00		Bookkeeper . . . . .	1,365.00	195.00
540.00		Office Supplies . . . . .	505.86	34.14
700.00	1,199.48	Auto Expense & Supplies . . . . .	1,701.53	197.95
90,000.00	10,974.32	Temporary Aid . . . . .	100,969.40	4.92
700.00		New Equipment . . . . .	636.15	63.85
11,000.00	3,257.87	A.D.C. "118" . . . . .	14,257.87	
4,549.94		A.D.C. Federal Grant . . . . .	4,549.94	
1,593.08		O.A.A. Administrator & Investigator . .	1,554.50	38.58
1,092.00		Old Age Asst.—Clerk . . . . .	934.00	158.00
100.00	60.00	Old Age Asst.—Office Supplies . . . . .	158.21	1.79
	175.00	Old Age Asst.—Auto Expense . . . . .	132.01	42.99
65,000.00	7,544.50	Old Age Asst.—Old Age Assistance . . .	67,237.54	5,306.96
3,577.82	41,622.26	Old Age Asst.—O.A.A. Federal Grant . .	45,200.08	
	530.00	Old Age Asst.—Reimbursement O.A.A..	398.33	131.67
4,915.00	1,959.49	Infirmary—Expenses . . . . .	6,872.23	2.26
1,433.35		Infirmary—Supt. Salary . . . . .	1,430.35	3.00
900.00		Infirmary—Labor . . . . .	862.35	37.65
18,850.00	4,066.00	Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	22,913.64	2.36
100.00	152.33	Soldiers' Relief—Expenses . . . . .	250.69	1.64

1,050.00	Soldiers' Relief—Agent . . . . .	1,050.00
	Soldiers' Relief—Auto Expense . . . . .	200.00
450.00	State Aid & Soldiers' Burials . . . . .	520.00
500.00	Military Aid . . . . .	1,610.00
266,890.00	Schools—Salaries . . . . .	266,897.99
16,000.00	Schools—Instruction (Text Books, Supplies) . . . . .	16,000.00
45,487.00	Schools—Expense & Maintenance . . . . .	45,487.30
4,000.00	Schools—W.P.A. Activities . . . . .	1,873.76
1,900.00	Schools—Hollis School Sprinkler System . . . . .	1,900.00
18,537.61	Schools—New Southwest School . . . . .	17,701.55
8,650.00	Library—Salaries . . . . .	7,798.45
500.00	Library—Janitors' Salaries . . . . .	438.72
6,275.00	Library—General Expense . . . . .	6,526.70
		550.00

## RECREATION

350.00	Parks & Playgrounds—Precinct 1 . . . . .	949.77
500.00	Parks & Playgrounds—Precinct 2 . . . . .	590.30
500.00	Parks & Playgrounds—Precinct 3 . . . . .	596.71
500.00	Organized Play . . . . .	499.90
		.23
		9.70
		3.29
		.10

## UNCLASSIFIED

300.00	Lifeguard—Sunset Lake . . . . .	\$ 300.00
1,000.00	General Government—Incidentals . . . . .	839.25
4,209.32	Finance Committee—Special Reserve . . . . .	4,209.32
15,057.75	Insurance . . . . .	14,542.90
200.00	Legal Services 1935—W. J. MacDonald . . . . .	200.00
750.00	Legion Building . . . . .	748.91
	Legion Building—W.P.A. Heating System . . . . .	58.32
		900.00



1,410.48	Town Reports . . . . .	1,410.48
500.00	Memorial Day . . . . .	490.18
5,000.00	Reserve Fund . . . . .	5,000.00
6,000.00	W.P.A. Activities Admr. . . . .	7,679.04
		9.82
		.96
1,680.00		

ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

98,300.00	Water Dept.—Maintenance . . . . .	\$ 86,982.89	11,317.11
175.07	Water Dept.—Filtration Plant . . . . .		175.07
556.99	Water Dept.—Commercial Pipe Lines . . . . .		556.99
103.08	Water Dept.—Dike—Great Pond . . . . .		103.08
9,730.46	Water Dept.—Available Surplus . . . . .	98,300.00	6,336.97
15,143.84	Electric Light Department . . . . .	337,737.49	3,573.26
121,985.98	Electric Light Dept.—Depreciation Fund . . . . .	47,678.15	109,168.64
300.00	Cemetery—Salary Supt. . . . .	300.00	
200.00	Cemetery—Plain Street Maintenance . . . . .	263.45	.55
38,225.00	Interest . . . . .	35,386.71	3,198.29
92,000.00	Maturing Debt . . . . .	95,000.00	

\$1,367,244.49	Appropriation or Balance . . . . .		
	Transfers or Refunds . . . . .		
\$ 562,029.33			
	Payments . . . . .	\$1,754,656.35	
	Balances . . . . .		\$ 171,251.49
	Transfers Out . . . . .		
	Overdrafts—None . . . . .		
\$1,929,273.82			\$3,365.98
			\$1,929,273.82

Respectfully submitted,  
R. W. MAGLATHLIN,  
Town Accountant,

## UNPAID BILLS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1938

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Expenses:

Dec., 1937—Henry's Cafe .....	1.00	
Dec. 22, 1937—South Braintree Laundry.....	.90	1.90

## Maintenance Police Station:

Dec. 16, 1937—Lucius A. Qualey .....	2.90	
Dec. 16, 1937—D. A. Chandler, Inc. ....	2.90	
Nov. 29, 1937—W. B. Skinner & Sons.....	3.20	9.00
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		10.90

## Welfare Department

Sept. 29 to Oct. 12, 1936—Mass. Memorial Hosp.	\$51.35	
Sept. 30 to Oct. 15, 1936—Mass. Memorial Hosp.	45.00	
Oct. 1936—Mrs. Clarence S. Ford .....	5.00	
Dec. 4 to Dec. 24, 1936—J. Bardetti .....	13.51	
Nov. and Dec., 1936—Joseph Bregoli .....	36.00	
Dec. 1, 1936—Mass. Hospital School .....	18.86	
March 1, 1936—Dr. John J. Gallivan .....	144.00	
Dec. 18 to Dec. 31, 1936—Joseph Puliafico .....	9.00	
Dec. 2 to Dec. 30, 1936—Daiute's Pharmacy....	35.13	357.85

Dec., 1937—Harry J. Jordan .....	15.00	
Dec. 23 to Dec. 30, 1937—Mass. Eye & Ear Inf...	4.40	
Oct. 29 to Nov. 17, 1937—Lahey Clinic.....	135.50	
Sept. 10, 1937—Mass. General Hospital .....	.60	
Aug. 28, 1937—Railway Express Agency.....	.43	
May 1, 1937—White Bros. ....	10.68	
Nov., 1937—Remicks .....	46.45	
Dec. 13 to Dec. 31, 1937—Mass. Memorial Hosp..	57.00	
March 4 to Oct. 2, 1937—Reuben H. Frogel.....	19.00	
Jan. 1 to Jan. 4, 1937—Glenn V. Butler.....	12.00	
Dec. 12, 1937—W. H. Heath .....	6.00	
Feb. 18 to Mar. 1, 1937—John J. Gallivan.....	407.00	
Dec., 1937—Mass. Hospital School .....	26.57	740.63

Dec. 1 to Dec. 28, 1938—Margaret Bianchi.....	14.00	
Dec. 1 to Dec. 31, 1938—W. Homer Melville....	25.00	
Dec. 1, 1938—Julia Zampine .....	18.00	
Dec. 1, 1938—H. M. Suds .....	20.00	
Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1938—Mass. Dept. Welfare....	184.00	
Dec. 1, 1938—C. Earle Bestick .....	20.00	
Dec. 1, 1938—Amos Eagles .....	20.00	
Dec. 16 to Dec. 23, 1938—Pioneer Food Store...	12.00	
Dec. 22, 1938—Thor. Thoren .....	20.00	
Dec. 1 to Dec. 24, 1938—Mass. Hospital School...	19.71	
Dec. 2 to Dec. 23, 1938—J. Bardetti .....	16.00	368.71
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		1,467.19

## A.D.C. "118"

Dec. 3 to Dec. 31, 1938—Dr. M. Pearlstein.....	40.00	
Dec. 1, 1938—Maria Moschella .....	18.00	
Nov. 23, 1938—John J. Gallivan .....	1.00	
Nov. 5 to Nov. 9, 1938—John J. Gallivan.....	6.00	65.00

**Town Infirmary**

Dec. 29, 1936—Codman's Dept. Store.....		1.96
Dec. 15, 1938—Francis H. Leggett Co.....	14.90	
Dec. 27, 1938—National Provision Co. ....	103.49	118.39
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		120.35

**Soldiers' Relief Department**

Sept., 1937—Mrs. Stephen Libertine .....	20.00	
Dec., 1937—Crofissa, Leo .....	8.00	
Dec., 1937—John J. Gallivan .....	31.00	59.00
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Nov., 1938—Stanley's Store, Inc. ....	2.89	
Dec., 1938—First National Stores .....	4.90	
Dec., 1938—Pioneer Food Store .....	4.90	
Dec., 1938—South's Market .....	4.90	
Dec., 1938—Economy Grocery Stores .....	14.70	
Dec., 1938—Economy Grocery Stores .....	6.86	
Dec., 1938—First National Stores .....	80.36	
Dec., 1938—A&P Grocery Stores .....	52.92	
Dec., 1938—G. E. Loring Grocery.....	4.90	
Dec., 1938—Bardetti's Market .....	29.40	
Dec., 1938—Harper & Woodworth .....	8.06	
Dec., 1938—Milk Distribution Fund .....	6.94	
Dec., 1938—Guiliano Market .....	34.30	
Dec., 1938—Elizabeth Caulfield .....	18.00	
Dec., 1938—Torrey Pharmacy .....	4.70	
Dec., 1938—Donovan Drug Corp. ....	20.00	
Dec., 1938—Burton L. Benjamin.....	4.00	
Dec., 1938—John J. Gallivan .....	4.00	
Dec., 1938—David I. Levine .....	5.00	
Dec., 1938—Farina's Oil Service.....	10.50	
Dec., 1938—Falzone's Shoe Store .....	4.50	326.73
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		385.73

**Health Department**

Nov. 13, 1936—City of Quincy—Hospital Dept.....	16.00
April to Oct. 31, 1937—The Lahey Clinic .....	300.00
Aug. 29 to Sept. 7, 1938—Pondville Hospital.....	25.00
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	341.00
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**Old Age Assistance**

Dec. 21, 1938—Luman A. Woodruff.....	8.00	
Dec. 25 to Dec. 30, 1938—Thayer Pharmacy.....	3.77	11.77
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## REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

I have in mind in making this report, the Town Meeting request for a report similar to that made in the Town of Belmont. I have examined one of the Belmont reports and find that the Town Counsel took twenty-four pages to give some detail on each of the 154 items constituting all of his activities during the year, for which he received a salary of thirty-five hundred (\$3500) dollars. Such a detailed report here would run to a considerably larger number of items and would entail a very substantial cost of printing in the report. There are other reasons of policy why it may not be wise to discuss in detail certain cases which have been handled, although I should be glad, at any time, to discuss them with any taxpayer or citizen who cares to inquire. I therefore confine this report to general classifications, totals and a description of the activities of the Town Counsel.

The work of the department divides itself into two large classes; first, general counsel and advice to all of the various departments and officials of the town; and second, attention to the multitude of claims and suits by and against the town.

In the first classification, I have, during the year, consulted and advised with the officials or representatives of all of the operating departments in the town, with reference to legal questions and problems arising in their departments. In order to facilitate this part of the work, I have been in attendance at the Town Hall during some part of each day, when I was not engaged in Court or out of town. I have also made available my private office with such services as it can offer to the town officials at any time. The most frequent calls for advice and consultation have quite naturally been from the Board of Selectmen. In this connection, I would point out that the years 1936 and 1938 are the only two years during the last twenty that there has not been a practicing attorney on the Board of Selectmen.

To cite a few of the problems which have entailed a great amount of study and time during the past year, I will refer to the many questions arising under the new Retirement Act, providing pensions for all town employees who come within the scope of the system; the multitude of questions arising directly or indirectly from the fact that during the greater part of the year only two members of the Board of Selectmen have been functioning; questions raised by the investigation of alleged irregularities in the handling of town finances during the prior years; problems relating to the establishment of our new form of town government; and Old Age Assistance problems.

In the second general classification, litigation, there are four major groups; land damages, injuries and damages arising from alleged highway defects, unpaid bills and bills receivable or claims by the town. My report on these activities is limited to the period following April 1, 1938, at which time I took office.

During this period we have disposed of ten claims and suits for injuries and damages from highway defects. In most cases these

claims have been disposed of by the payment of small sums of money ranging in amount from four dollars to fifty dollars, the amounts involved usually being to cover property damage to automobiles, occasioned by defects for which the town was clearly liable. In such cases, if a reasonable offer was made by the claimant, the case was adjusted at a substantial discount from the actual damage. There were, however, three more serious highway defect cases involving serious personal injury. In each case there was sufficient doubt as to liability so that the claimants were forced to take sums which would not represent the full extent of their injuries. There was expended a total of four hundred (\$400) dollars in these three cases.

The problem as to the adjustment of land damage claims will always be an important one to the Legal Department so long as we are developing new highways or Public Works projects. This year, the department has had occasion to consider claims arising in connection with takings for the Union Street Underpass, for the so-called Church and Center Street project, the new layout of West Street east of Five Corners, takings in connection with the Water Department work at Great Pond and one very serious and involved piece of litigation arising from an old taking in 1926 for the widening of Washington Street. In this type of case there is usually no question of liability, but only the question of fair value for the property taken. Therefore, if after having obtained a competent appraisal it is possible to adjust the claim within or close to the appraisal figure, that course has been followed. In other cases where the claims exceed in amount what we consider a fair appraisal, the cases are allowed to stand for trial. There are a number of such cases on each of the above projects, except Union Street, now awaiting trial.

The only case in which settlement has been made for a figure exceeding one thousand dollars was the claim for the taking of the valuable corner lot and house at the corner of Union and Washington Streets, for the approach to the Union Street Underpass. The figure agreed upon in that case was \$15,500, \$8,000 of which has been paid out of available land damage funds in 1938; the remaining \$7,500 to be paid as a balance due on an execution to be raised in the 1939 levy. Appreciating that this is a very substantial figure, the recommendation on which the Selectmen voted to settle this claim was not made until all of the circumstances, the facts, figures and appraisals had been freely discussed with the sub-committee of the Finance Committee and their approval given. This precaution was taken in view of the fact that this claim was by far the most serious of its kind with which the town has been confronted in recent years.

During the period since April first, many bills contracted in 1937 or earlier, but remaining unpaid, have come to my attention in the form of claims, or in some instances, suits against the town. In many instances these appear to have been contracted in good faith on the part both of the town official and the person with whom the bill was contracted, under circumstances which would make the town liable to a judgment if the claim were pressed. It will be remembered that the



town, at its Annual Meeting in 1938, made no provision in a separate budget for meeting such unpaid bills. I have, therefore, in some instances where the Town could obtain substantial discounts for settlement on bills which would ultimately have to be paid, recommended settlement of such claims out of the budget provided for that purpose.

I recommend that in the future an article be placed in each warrant for an Annual Meeting, to see what sums the town will appropriate to meet unpaid bills of prior years, and that consideration be given to departmental recommendations under that article, in order to avoid the embarrassment of creditors who have sold merchandise to the Town in good faith.

The fourth class of litigation to which this department has given considerable attention is that of bills due to the Town. In this class fall various rights of the Town against other towns and cities, or in some instances, individuals, to recover for welfare aid, old age assistance or other forms of relief granted. The various relief departments and the Town Accountant have shown commendable interest in urging the Town Counsel to prosecute these claims, and they are urged to continue to do so in the interest of collecting all that may be due to the Town. There are now pending several suits by the Town to collect these receivables, and various other claims are in the process of adjustment.

Another activity which has consumed a large amount of time is the necessary detail work in connection with the petitions in the Land Court to foreclose tax liens. While these petitions are filed by the Treasurer, the Town Counsel is charged with the duty of pressing these petitions to a successful conclusion. That is, a decree of the Land Court that the property which was formerly subject to a tax lien has been foreclosed in the name of the Town. Through this process, the Town has acquired the title to about thirty additional parcels of land, and on completion of the petitions now pending, should acquire title to about thirty more. Although some of this foreclosed property has been sold at public auction, as authorized by the Town Meeting, there is a large amount of salable but unproductive real estate. It is recommended that provision be made for a careful listing and appraisal of this property so that it may be offered for sale in a manner which would yield a substantial revenue to the Town.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all of the Town departments for the cooperation and assistance that I have received from them during the year and to assure them that I shall be ready to respond to their requests for the services of this department.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. HUNT,  
Town Counsel.



TOWN OF BRAINTREE  
CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
John W. Harding, Treasurer

RETIREMENT FUND

	Dr.
Balance, Jan. 1, 1938.....	\$4,844.29
Receipts for Year 1938 .....	28,783.59
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	\$33,627.88
	Cr.
Paid by vouchers of Retirement Board .....	\$32,501.83
Balance, Dec. 31, 1938, deposited in National Shawmut Bank of Boston .....	1,126.05
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	\$33,627.88

EXPENSE FUND

	Dr.
Balance, Jan. 1, 1938.....	\$ 46.23
Appropriation from Town of Braintree .....	1,240.00
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	\$1,286.23
	Cr.
Paid by vouchers of Retirement Board .....	\$1,229.63
Balance, Dec. 31, 1938, deposited in The Braintree National Bank .....	56.60
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	\$1,286.23

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:—

The following is the report of the Animal Inspector of the  
Town of Braintree:

Premises inspected on annual inspection .....	55
Cows .....	85
Bulls .....	1
Young cattle .....	4
Goats .....	28
Swine .....	1014
Sheep .....	38
Cows inspected shipped out of State.....	4
Barns inspected after tubercular reactors .....	1
Dog bite cases investigated .....	81
Dogs quarantined .....	77
Dogs released .....	76

(Signed) CHARLES W. MATTHEWS,  
Inspector of Animals.

## REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

We hereby submit the annual report of the Park Board for the 1938 season.

### PRECINCT 1

#### **French's Common.**

The Common was kept in good condition all season. 250 feet of chain link fence was erected. The bleachers were repaired and painted. Tennis courts were also kept in good condition. The damage caused by the storm was repaired by the WPA and the grounds are in good condition again.

#### **Hollingsworth Park.**

Under an NYA project, boys from 18 to 25 years of age supervised by Gilbert Reed, a new baseball diamond has been made on this park. The outfield has also been filled in. Expect this diamond will be ready for use by the middle of May. All this work and filling was done at less than \$200 cost to the town and should be one of the best when completed in the spring.

### PRECINCT 2

#### **Hollis Field.**

The Hollis Field grounds were kept in good condition all year. The Grammar School league and High School play most of their games here. There also was a softball league that lasted all through the summer. High School football and girls hockey are also played here. The tennis courts were kept in good condition, tournaments being played at different times during the season.

### PRECINCT 3

#### **Adams Street.**

The Adams Street playground had one of its best seasons, very large attendance all year. The field was kept in good condition. The new tennis court was busy all season and a new shuffle board was also erected.

### ORGANIZED PLAY

A new playground was opened in Braintree Highlands this season and the Park Department intends to improve the playing grounds. We also would like to open up a playground next year on the Penniman School grounds, for the youngsters in that district. It is also the wish of the Park Board to get Watson Park grounds in operation again. Organized play had the usual large attendance this summer and prizes were awarded the youngsters in different sports at the end of the season.

The Park Board wishes to take this opportunity to thank the Selectmen and the heads of all town departments for the splendid cooperation shown our department this year. We also want to thank the Recreation Committee and the WPA supervisors and teachers for the excellent work they did on the playgrounds this summer. Through the cooperation of all concerned the loss to equipment was reduced to practically nothing. This is remarkable considering losses of other years.

CHAS. ABELL, Chairman,  
HARRY VINTON, JR.,  
ROBERT TAYLOR, Clerk.

## REPORT OF TOWN ENGINEER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the ninth annual report of the Engineering Department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Lines and grades have been furnished for the following:

**Road Construction—W.P.A.**

Cedarcliff Road—from Quincy Ave. 500 feet west  
 Brookside Road—from Commercial St. to Stetson St.  
 Wampatuck Road—from Washington St. 800 feet west  
 B. V. French St.—from Middle St. to Arnold St.  
 Shepard Road—from Jefferson St. 750 feet south

**Drains—W.P.A.**

Brookside Road—650 feet  
 B. V. French St.—300 feet

**Curbing—W.P.A.**

Frederick Road—from Washington St. to Pond St.—north side  
 Pond St.—from Cemetery to Fairview Ave.—south side  
 Safford St.—from Franklin St. to Franklin St.  
 Tremont St.—from Hobart Ave. to Brow Ave.—east side  
 West St.—from Washington St. to Walnut St.—north side  
 Mt. Vernon Ave.—from Washington St. to Mt. Vernon St.—north side  
 Washington St.—from Episcopal Church to Monatiquot Ave.—west side  
 Oak St.—from Tremont St. to Hollis Ave.

**Curbing—General**

Myrtle St.—150 feet south side  
 Vine St.—90 feet east side  
 Elm St.—from Railroad St. to Warren's Store—north side  
 Elmlawn Road—370 feet

**Sidewalks—General**

Wildwood Ave.—from Arbutus to Highland School—south side  
 Hancock St.—from Washington to Washington St.—2000 feet—west side  
 Middle St.—from Elm St. to River St.—west side  
 Stedman Ave.—from Elm St.—500 feet northwest side  
 Thompson Rd.—from Commercial St.—300 feet northwest side  
 Washington St.—from Hollis Ave. to Maple St.—north side  
 Tremont St. (W.P.A.)—from Washington St. to Central Ave.—west side  
 Thayer Place (W.P.A.)—from Hall Ave. to Washington St.—south side

**Drains—General**

Monatiquot School Yard to Weston Avenue  
 Hayward St. to dump through land of Fogg  
 Cochato Road  
 Lemoyne St.—from Morrison Rd.—80 feet southwest side



**Gutter Grades—General**

Middle St.—from Hunt Ave. to Wilson Ave.—east side  
 Prospect St.—200 feet  
 Cochato Rd.—300 feet

Lines and grades were given to property owners on accepted streets upon request.

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

Survey and plan for land taking at Great Pond.

**PARK DEPARTMENT****Hollis Field**

Layout of football field  
 Layout of baseball field  
 Plan of proposed location of stadium, football field, running track, baseball field, hockey field, tennis courts.

**Hollingsworth Park**

Survey lines and grades for baseball field

**Watson Park**

Survey lines and grades for skating area

**ASSESSORS**

All deeds and subdivisions have been checked and plotted on plans accordingly.

One hundred thirty-five new buildings and additions have been located and plotted on plans.

**ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT**

One hundred forty pole locations have been staked out to be set.

**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

Lines for fence—Pond School  
 Lines for fence—Penniman School  
 Lines and grades for ball field—Penniman School  
 Survey and plan showing area of Josephine Colbert School lot

**CEMETERY**

Plans and profile for proposed wall on east, south and west sides —W.P.A.

I wish at this time to extend my appreciation for the co-operation I have received from the Selectmen and all Town Departments.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. DRINKWATER,  
 Town Engineer.



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**School Department**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**





### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MR. HOWARD B. BLEWETT, *Chairman*  
363 Tremont Street, Braintree

MRS. ALIDA N. STEVENS, *Recording Secretary*  
75 Tremont Street, South Braintree

MR. HENRY D. HIGGINS, 490 Washington Street, Braintree

MR. C. EARLE BESTICK, 285 Washington Street, Braintree

MR. ARCHIE T. MORRISON, 525 Liberty Street, East Braintree

MR. HAROLD R. QUIMBY, 132 Tremont Street, South Braintree

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

MR. C. EDWARD FISHER, 10 Tremont Street, South Braintree  
Office Telephone 0782

Office Hours on School Days, 8:00 to 9:00 A.M.

### SECRETARY

MISS EDNA E. WOODSUM

Office Hours: 8:00 to 12:00, 1:00 to 5:00, on days when Schools are  
in session

### MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

Second Monday evening of each month at 8:00 o'clock in the School  
Committee offices, 10 Tremont Street, South Braintree

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

January 9, 1939.

To the Citizens of the Town of Braintree:

Another year has come and gone, and we render an account of our stewardship to you.

Early in the year the new building, which replaces the old buildings known as the South West School, was turned over to the Department, and dedicated as the Josephine B. Colbert School in memory of one who taught for many years in the Town. We are very thankful for this beautiful and modern addition to our plant.

Under a W.P.A. project we were able to complete the development of the grounds at the Penniman School and now have a splendid opportunity for outdoor play for the girls and boys of that section.

The Hollis School building has been partially equipped with an automatic sprinkler system which has already demonstrated its usefulness during a small fire that occurred during the summer vacation, and probably saved the Town considerable expense in restoring, or replacing, the building.

The situation regarding proper accommodations at the High School has already become a very serious matter. With over one thousand pupils enrolled in a building equipped to care for not more than 700, it is becoming more and more impossible to give our girls and boys a proper education. We have already been notified by the State Department of Education that something must be done by the Town to improve the situation, or the School will lose its A-1 rating, which means that the privilege of certifying our graduates for admission to institutions of higher learning would be withdrawn.

Your Committee made application last Fall to the Federal Government for an allotment of funds to help towards taking care of this situation, but were unsuccessful because the Town had not appropriated sufficient funds to provide for their share of the cost.

An article will be placed in the Town Meeting Warrant this year requesting funds to take care of this matter, and we hope that favorable action will result from the expression of opinion by the voters at the Town Meeting.

We wish to once more record our appreciation of the faithful and efficient service rendered by the Superintendent, Principals, Teachers, and other employees of the Department.

We respectfully call your attention to the following pages which contain the reports of our Superintendent and other Executive heads of our Department, which give in detail the work accomplished during the year.

Our Budget for 1939 has been completed, and calls for \$340,300.00.

HOWARD B. BLEWETT, *Chairman*

ALIDA N. STEVENS, *Recording Secretary*

HENRY D. HIGGINS

C. EARLE BESTICK

ARCHIE T. MORRISON

HAROLD R. QUIMBY



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

January 9, 1939.

To the School Committee:

I present herewith, as Superintendent of Schools, my eighteenth annual report.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Rogers retired last June after twenty-four years of service in our schools, and five others resigned, thus making it necessary to have, relatively, a small number of persons new to our schools with the opening in September.

During the summer the usual service was rendered in the removal of tonsils, and during the school year the Dental Clinic rendered valuable service in performing 2529 operations at a net cost to the Town of \$1,666.50.

Adequate filing facilities are now provided in each of our schools, so that data relative to each and every child in our enrollment is readily available at the various schools.

Much has been accomplished through the W.P.A. projects on our school grounds, and work is now still being carried along, and it is hoped that by late Fall of 1939 a very decided improvement can be readily observed. The biggest piece of work is that on the playground at the Penniman School, where we can now see a very material enlargement and improvement of the area available for the pupils' use.

There are today in membership in our schools 105 more pupils than a year ago today. The High School has over 1,000 pupils, and there are more in the three upper classes which come in the morning than can be accommodated and cared for in an effective manner, therefore, it will be necessary to assign a portion, or the whole of the Sophomore class, to attendance in the afternoon with the Freshmen beginning next September. This is the seventh year of our two sessions and it is without doubt time that something was done to provide increased facilities for secondary education.

We have recently adopted a new series of readers for our upper grades, and have purchased copies for all seventh and eighth grade pupils. These books should increase the interest and noticeably improve the work done along the lines of reading, literature and English in general. With increased funds, which we hope will be available for use in 1939 for text books and supplies, it is planned to put books of this same series in grades five and six. It would also be a material advantage to our children in these upper grades if more reading material could be available of such a nature as to encourage more reading and arouse interest in securing a deeper and broader knowledge of a greater variety of what the world knows.

A year ago this Fall we started out on a Visual Education program and this involves first a considerable capital outlay for equipment which is today of such size, thanks to the interest and assistance of several of our school parent-teachers' associations, graduating classes, and the Philergians, that we may well be proud of our accomplishments. We have 25 films, 12 of which are sound films, and the work is organized so that all of our schools have an opportunity to see these films during a school year. There are also several hundred slides, on various subjects, which are frequently used to advantage in making more vivid the instruction given in our schools.

As a result of the examination of under-aged children for admission to our schools at the opening in September, 28 passed and 18 were



rejected for the kindergarten: 14 passed and 8 were rejected for the first grade.

Last Spring saw the opening of the new Josephine B. Colbert School, which takes the place of the old South West School. This new building is most satisfactory in every way, and is the only building in our school system with an oil burner and thermostatic control for convenience, effectiveness, and economy in providing heating facilities. It would be a wonderful improvement if other buildings could only have the thermostatic control.

There are now but three wooden buildings in the School Department, the oldest of which was built in 1873, and is the Pond School, where the School Department offices are now located. All three of these wooden buildings have installed in them the Rockwood Sprinkler System, and the installation in the Hollis School, which was put in last Spring, proved its value last summer when a fire broke out there early one Sunday morning. That one installation probably saved the Town more than the cost of the four installations which have been made up to this date.

Among our janitors the resignation of George T. Atkinson at the Noah Torrey Primary School, the death of Joseph E. Hayden at the Hollis School, and the retirement of Edward C. Holyoke at the Jonas Perkins School, required the appointment of three new men.

This Department was fortunate in that the hurricane this Fall occasioned damages to our buildings, mostly roofs, requiring the expenditure of approximately only \$2,500.00. The trees blown down on school grounds in most all cases were cared for through the work of the men who were employed on the Consolidated School Department Project. This project, it is hoped, will provide opportunities for extensive improvements on all of our school grounds, since it will not be necessary for the Town to provide any labor, this being done by the Federal Government. It will, however, be necessary for the Town to make appropriations for the purpose of purchasing materials and furnishing trucks, etc., which it is hoped will be done.

The statistical tables issued by the State Department of Education have not as yet come to my office, and I cannot, therefore, make any comments as to the cost of education in Braintree relative to other school systems in the State. However, I can say that you are not yet paying ten cents per hour per pupil for the support of education, and I doubt if anyone would feel that that would be too much.

Because I am in hearty agreement with the ideas, and because they, I feel, are so well expressed, I wish to make the following quotations from an article written by William Mather Lewis, President of Lafayette College:

"If tomorrow's America is to achieve its destiny, the home must assume again many of those educational functions which have been more and more neglected in the rush of modern life" and

"The tendency to offer wider opportunities to those who are not book-minded, but whose talent lies in coordination of hand and brain is increasingly evident in the school system, and this is essential to the orderly development of a nation when the tendency has been too much to give all a training leading to white collar activities, and, consequently, to neglect the skilled craftsmanship which is so much needed."

The above quotations, I feel, are quite pertinent to the immediate problem of a re-organizing of our system on to a 6-3-3 plan, instead of an 8-4 plan.

It costs money to print a Town Report, and this Department's report has been abbreviated by request of the Board of Selectmen, and many customary tables and much information omitted, as it is felt that those desiring this information can secure it from other sources. The reports following are worthy of attention from those who are interested in our schools.

To my associates, thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

C. EDWARD FISHER.

## REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher  
Superintendent of Schools  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Herewith is submitted my annual report for the High School.

Figures for the school year ending June, 1938, are as follows:

Total Membership .....	1,030
Average Membership .....	959.36
Percentage of Attendance.....	95.51

These figures indicate an increase in total membership of 55, an increase in average membership of 51 and the same percentage of attendance.

Diplomas were granted to one hundred seventy-four last June.

The present senior membership of approximately two hundred indicates a somewhat larger number of graduates in June, 1939.

The comparative figures for the present school year to date, with those of the corresponding time last year, are as follows:

	December 31, 1938			December 31, 1937		
	Boys	Girls	Totals	Boys	Girls	Totals
Post Graduates .....	7	25	32	12	30	42
Seniors .....	88	116	204	74	116	190
Juniors .....	122	141	263	103	124	227
Sophomores .....	136	142	278	129	152	281
Freshmen .....	129	148	277	139	143	282
Total .....	482	572	1054	457	565	1022

An analysis of the present year's figures discloses several interesting facts. First, there is a definite drop in membership of post graduates, which reflects the improved condition so far as the placement of our graduates is concerned. The second factor of importance is the increase in the number of seniors and the marked increase in the number of juniors, the other two classes being somewhat smaller than those of last year.

Over a period of several years there has been a definite increase in upper class numbers with the freshman class remaining about the same. This has resulted in a condition where the enrollment in the classes above



the freshman year has reached a point much higher than that of September, 1932, when it became necessary to put grade nine on an afternoon session basis. This means that in September, 1939, not only all of the freshmen but also a considerable number of other pupils will have to have their school hours in the afternoon. The question has many times been asked whether or not the building of junior high schools and the taking of the ninth grade from the present high school plan would solve the need of larger quarters so far as high school is concerned. The figures in the table above show that this would be no solution. We have, above grade nine, 775 pupils in a building originally planned for approximately 700. Thinking citizens are becoming aware of the urgent need for some relief in the conditions now existing. There has been, to date, only one advantage in the two-session plan — it has taken care of the housing situation. In every other respect it has been a disadvantage.

It would seem that the Town of Braintree has a serious building problem on its hands. First, there is a question as to whether the junior high school system should be adopted and, if so, what addition is necessary to the present high school building to adequately take care of the senior high school for a reasonable number of years. Then, there is the question as to when Braintree will reach the twenty thousand population mark which carries with it the introduction of certain mandatory subjects non-existing at the present time—household arts and manual arts in all grades. Undoubtedly, junior high school, or intermediate schools, if you prefer to so call them, would solve the problem of housing these possible new offerings, but, as said above, would not solve the high school problem of housing. Whether the junior high school organization is desirable for Braintree is for the voters to say, but it would seem that immediate decision should be made in this matter. Presumably, what action is to be taken to relieve present high school conditions, and conditions possible in the near future, depends to considerable extent upon the Town's action relative to junior high schools.

The following additions to, and changes in the faculty were put into effect in September. A substantial increase in Science electives over the past two years made necessary the employment of another teacher in that department. Mr. Harold M. Hawkes was engaged to take this work. He is also assistant football coach. A definite shift in electives to the commercial field made necessary another teacher of such subjects and Mr. G. Kenneth Rogers was appointed to the Commercial Department. Mr. Edward Oakman who, as a cadet, did substitute work all last year, was appointed to a regular position in the History Department. Miss Mae Lindsay was appointed as vocal music instructor in place of Miss Flint who resigned in June. Mr. Ellsworth Thwing and Miss Alice Daughraty became full-time high school teachers. The above-mentioned additions to the faculty have relieved the situation in many over-sized classes occasioned by the unexpected increase in enrollment over the last two years.

In spite of various handicaps of the two-session system the work of the school has progressed in a quite satisfactory manner. Our graduates have, in general, done good work in higher institutions. Sixty per cent of our pupils who took part in a set of nation-wide clerical ability tests last Spring, received certificates. (Only ten per cent of those in all nation-wide schools, taking this series of tests, received certificates.) We have been able to place more of our commercial graduates on jobs than in several previous years.

Extra curricula interests have not been neglected. The various sports and other activities have drawn the usual number of interested students. Our vocal and instrumental musical groups both secured a first-class rating in the Music Festival held in Fall River last spring. The senior year book was given the highest award for the year among the schools represented in the Southeastern Massachusetts League of



School Publications. Our athletic results were satisfactory both from the financial standpoint and from the general success of the teams. Although our football team failed to win any games, the work of a rather light and young squad of boys was excellent and reflected creditably on the school, both from the standpoint of the playing of the boys and the sportsmanship shown. Some changes have been made in the 1939 season's schedule with the idea of making it a more reasonable one for the size and ages of the boys who make up the squad. Figures as of October first showed that slightly over fifty per cent of our students are fifteen years and under and that seventy-five per cent are sixteen years and under. This, together with the fact that our football material has run light in weight, as well as young in years, has, in some measure, accounted for the poor seasons so far as wins are concerned.

No longer is it true that our teams are poorly equipped. It is true that our uniforms, at times, may seem nondescript but so far as protection of the boys is concerned there is not a better equipped team on the South Shore. Our moderate list of injuries throughout the average season bears out this point. More has been done in the way of medical service, etc., for our boys in recent years than any other school in the vicinity, in proportion to the number of boys involved. We have had an attending physician not only at every home game but at all games played away and the same physician is on call at any time during, and after the practice sessions. This service has been paid for by our High School Athletic Association. Many X-rays have been taken of students injured not only in football but in baseball, track, hockey, gymnasium team and gymnasium class work—pupils who, in anyway, have received injuries in any school activity.

The main function of high school is to provide an education and in this process of education the development of citizenship today is all-important. In modifying our curriculum from time to time we have kept in mind the needs of the college-going students but these make up, at most, in the average year, only about fifteen per cent of the graduates, and so new offerings more suited to the needs of the larger group have been made from time to time. We recognize that in this process of citizenship development all extra curricula activities have a certain importance and yet we also recognize that they must receive only their due proportion of time. If the students devote the greater part of their limited energy to extra curricula activities only the lesser part is left for regular work.

We feel that, regardless of the handicaps imposed by the shortened periods of the two-session day in the last six years, the School has made a satisfactory progress. However, we have an intimation of the possibility of losing our long-time Class A rating by the State Board of Education mainly on the basis of the fact that we are on a two-session day and that many school activities have had to be curtailed.

It would, therefore, seem appropriate and important for our citizens to become concerned with the problem of adequate housing accommodations and normal working conditions in school for all of our boys and girls.

Space is not available in the report to give very many of the details of high school problems. It is the wish of the school officials that the many citizens in town who are not familiar with the school, should acquaint themselves, by visits to the school, with what we are trying to do.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. JORDAN.

## REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher  
Superintendent of Schools  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1938.

"You can live without Art and Beauty—but not so well."

The art informed person who appreciates art and uses his knowledge of the subject from day to day gets a great deal more out of life than the person who has no such background. The surroundings of his daily life, the home, household furnishings, clothing, automobiles, buildings, statues, pictures, paintings, churches, etc., will assume an expanding claim on his growing appreciation. Art supplies so many satisfying intellectual and emotional experiences that its emphasis in the school program would indeed seem to be essential. Art furnishes an outlet for individual expression. Children should be allowed to be expressive insofar as their drawings interpret their own experiences. They are works of art in the same sense that the works of older people represent adult ideas. Children's drawings too often are judged by adult standards. Every childish effort should be treated, too, with friendly respect and professional interest. It is up to the teachers of art to kindle imagination in the children by leading questions and directed observation until the child begins to use his mind in connection with his seeing and draws not only what he knows, but what he sees.

To these ends the art lessons in Representation are planned to take inspiration from Nature; from trees, fruit, flowers, birds, and animals, the changing seasons, activities of work and play and daily local surroundings such as home and family, school and church. These are all direct personal experiences of every child. As his experiences are broadened by his studying in literature, history, and geography his imagination is stimulated by new impressions and strange interesting places. Drawings of these impressions reveal the child's mental picture whether clear or befogged.

In Design the basic laws of order are as simple and teachable as the rules of arithmetic. These laws of order are consistently studied and used from grade one up through the grades as guiding principles in creating designs. The rules of order—repetition in a row to develop borders, repetition in a field for all over patterns, axial and central balance, offer the kind of limitations which stimulate and guide invention. Naturally the work of upper grades is more advanced than that of the younger children although the underlying principle may be the same. Beauty cannot be guaranteed as the result of any procedure but it frequently happens even in the work of children when lively expression is guided by principles of order and appropriateness. It is possible to have perfect order without beauty, but there can be no beauty without order. We can all understand and produce order with the hope that we may appreciate and create beauty.

Poster making is another way in which children may express ideas and show their originality. During the year we have made posters advertising a wide range of subjects, some for Safety, Health, National Education Week, Travel, Kindness to Animals, etc. The animal posters were entered in the state-wide contest and many children received medals for their good work. Another project in which the pupils show great interest and increasing skill is the making of block prints from their



own linoleum cuts. Their cuts have been used for printing Christmas cards and for cover designs and illustrations in their school publications.

Monthly drawing outlines of many other projects are given to each grade teacher and I wish to thank all the teachers for their splendid co-operation in carrying out my suggestions, and my thanks, too, to the principals and the Superintendent of Schools for their interest and co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH H. JOHNSON.

## REPORT OF THE VOCAL MUSIC SUPERVISOR

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher  
Superintendent of Schools  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

In my annual report of last year I outlined the main objectives in all the phases pertaining to the vocal study. This year I wish to give a more detailed account of specific attainments as regards the training of voices and song singing in the three departments of the grade schools.

**Primary Grades**—Our first objective here is to give every child the use of his singing voice and to plan the singing so that every child shall enjoy singing and have opportunity to sing for the love of it. In September each grade is graded into three groups. The first is the fine singing group, the second are those who require individual help. They are not allowed to sing continuously with the advanced group until able to do so fairly correctly. After certain attainments they are tried with the singing groups daily in some songs. The third group are the monotones, the children who cannot imitate correctly. These children are given individual help until they can sing short songs.

The inability of a child of five or six years to match tones is not evidence of lack of musical ability or capacity. Unless a child has heard much music at home or has had assistance previous to entering school, it is not surprising that he does not sing correctly. Once he has learned to use his singing voice the main objective is to develop power to sing rhythmically and in tune with a light floating tone, to develop pleasure in song as a means of expression and that every child may have acquired a repertory of songs. At the end of the third year a vocabulary of not less than 150 songs is each child's heritage.

**Intermediate Grades**—During this period (age range from nine to eleven) the voices of girls and boys grow both in power and brilliance. Our problem here is to establish the habits essential to good singing, correct posture, deep breathing, use of head tone, free tone production and to develop a greater degree of flexibility and smoothness of tone.

**Two-part singing**, the initial harmonic experience has its place here. Since all voices are limited to soprano register, boys as well as girls sing alternately, both soprano and second soprano. This part singing adds an element of team work, for each pupil must learn to carry his own part against another and sing in tune.



Grammar Grades—Music in these grades are organized to meet the problem of adolescence. It presents a diversity of vocal problems. Both girls' and boys' voices change and partially mature but no two voices change at the same chronological age. Utmost care is experienced to protect the growing voice. They are carefully watched in order to avoid straining and forcing. Voices are tested frequently and assigned to that voice part which the range and quality of their respective voices indicate. Reclassification takes place from time to time, as the development of the voices warrant. Here is the logical place for three and four part choruses. The increased resonance and power of the voices in these grades make possible more colorful singing.

This year all the eighth grade classes are doing good work, and some classes can be classed as excellent, in rendering three and four part songs. The ultimate objective in their singing is to develop a capacity to sing art songs in a musical way with mellow, musical tone quality, correct phrasing, distinct enunciation and articulation.

In several of our grammar grades the boys and girls have asked to have glee choruses. This glee chorus practice affords the talented child added opportunity for training and it seems to give them joy and satisfaction and they work to achieve good musical results.

A genuine educational value of vocal music is its use in the social life of the school. Music programs are arranged for formal and informal occasions such as parent-teacher meetings, school assemblies, graduations, entertainments and operettas.

Last year four schools presented operettas—Noah Torrey Grammar, gave a splendid performance of an elaborate Japanese operetta, "Lantern Land." The Penniman, Hollis, and Monatiquot Schools each gave an outstanding production of the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, "Pinafore." The leading characters were selected from the three schools but each school had a chorus made of voices from its own student body. This music activity stimulates interest in vocal music and gives a definite and continued enjoyment in active participation in other phases of music appreciation.

In conclusion may I summarize in a few words what we are attempting to do in the Vocal Department: To inculcate into the hearts of all the children a love for singing and a desire to participate in singing in life both inside and outside of the school.

I wish to thank Mr. Fisher, principals, teachers and cadets and all those who have co-operated with us in the vocal study.

Respectfully submitted,

INGRID E. EKMAN.

## REPORT OF THE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher,  
Superintendent of Schools  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I present herewith my third annual report.

The activities of this department are being conducted according to the outline of aims and methods contained in my annual reports for 1936 and 1937. This year, however, additional stress is being centered on student solo and ensemble playing. This is in line with the modern trend of emphasis on the smaller instrumental groups now strongly advocated by leading music educators.

In collaboration with Miss Carol E. Flint, vocal instructor, the 2nd Annual Music Festival was held at the High School during May. In addition to the High School Glee Club, Orchestra and Band, an All-Grade School Orchestra of 55 pieces presented a very interesting program. Assuming enthusiasm, cooperation, and public response as criteria, the forecast indicates the establishment of a permanent music festival.

During May, also, more than 100 members of the High School Girls' Glee Club and Band participated in the Massachusetts Music Festival at Fall River. Not only was the event successful from a competitive standpoint (both organizations received a No. 1 rating) but the general program offered many lasting benefits to each participant. The educational and social inspiration inherent at these festivals is invaluable and I recommend the continuation of our participation each year.

On October 1, 1938, the Public School Conservatory commenced the fourth consecutive year of service. Outstanding this year is the capable and efficient staff of instructors, who, with but one exception, have served since the founding of the school. It is gratifying to report that approximately 175 children take advantage of the specialized instruction offered each week.

In closing, I offer my sincere thanks for the help and cooperation extended the department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. HAUCK.



## REPORT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher  
 Superintendent of Schools  
 Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

The main objective of Physical Education is the development of physical fitness. Good health is the most important asset anyone can possess. Realizing that Physical Education is "Education," it has other aims which prepare the child for adulthood. Physical Education aids the class room teacher to guide the child mentally, socially, morally, and emotionally to a richer, more complete personality. The Physical Education program for the elementary grades aims to accomplish these objectives.

Activities included in the program:

Grades one through four—

Exercises: Formal, rhythmic, corrective and mimetic.

Story Plays (Grade one).

Marching with music accompaniment.

Games—team, individual.

The development of simple skills and muscular coordinations—throwing, catching, skipping, galloping, etc.

Folk Dancing.

Grades five through eight—

Added to the activities listed above comes

The development of fundamental skills in sports:

*e.g.* Football: passing, kicking, catching.

Soccer: dribbling, heading, trapping, kicking.

Games of higher organization (Newcomb, volley-ball, etc.)

Stress is placed on the following:

"Listening and doing." The ability to listen and think. (Lower grades.)

Taking turns. (Lower grades.)

Capitulation of scores by the children. (All grades.)

Development of emotional control during excitement of play—sportsmanship, fair play. (All grades.)

Demonstrations:

There will be two indoor demonstrations sponsored by the parent-teachers' associations. These programs are presented for the purpose of showing parents and friends a cross-section of the activities carried on during the winter season. They include such events as marching tactics, Hygienic drills, Folk Dances, Relays, Individual skills and Pyramids.

A play day will take place in May.

Program:

Classes are conducted out of doors whenever the weather permits. Indoor classes are held in the assembly halls which are cleared of chairs for that purpose.

Conclusion:

We wish to thank Mr. Fisher, the principals, and the teachers for their interest and cooperation in the Physical Education program in the elementary grades.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL N. DOUGLASS,  
 FRANCIS G. LUOMA.



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher  
Superintendent of Schools  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Please allow me to submit my tenth annual report on the health work that is being done in the schools of Braintree.

The school physicians, Dr. Frogel, Dr. Gallivan and Dr. Ross have examined the children in the Braintree public schools.

All boys, and the majority of girls in the High School were examined for hernia.

Seventeen pupils were examined on March 7, 1938, by the doctor of the Norfolk County Clinic, eleven parents being present. One of the pupils was sent to the sanatorium in Reading.

The Norfolk County Tuberculosis clinic opened on November 14, 1938, at which time one hundred fifty-nine Juniors and one hundred eighty-nine Freshmen were inoculated. On December 14, 1938, sixty-seven Juniors, forty-seven Freshmen and fourteen elementary school children were X-rayed in addition to ten High School teachers and one Grade School teacher.

One hundred forty-one essays on "Mothercraft" were submitted by the eighth grade girls; Louise Turner of the Watson School receiving the Philergian prize of \$2.50 and the State Federation Prize of \$5.00.

Two hundred ninety-two children received three diphtheria inoculations, one hundred eleven being pre-school children.

A talk was given on "First Aid" to some of the Seniors.

Talks have been given on the danger of throwing sticks and stones.

Since February we have been a very healthy school system. At that time we had a scarlet fever scare and Dr. Sullivan was called in to examine the children's throats but only one case of swollen glands was found.

**HEALTH WORK:** The school children are weighed and measured in May and October; dressings, 74; heads examined, 1045; toothaches, 20; home visits, 68; advised, 49; observed, 6; impetigo, 4; sore throats, 3; cut lip, 2; nose bleeds, 5; splinters, 14; treatments, 14; foreign body in eyes, 7; combed hair, 5; cut nails, 2; tonsil notices, 158.

The Dental Clinic is doing excellent work only not so many are taking advantage of it as we would like to have.

I wish to thank the Welfare Department for their help in furnishing glasses to some of the pupils.

I wish to thank every one connected with the School Department for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. COLLINS, R. N.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

December 31, 1938.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher  
Superintendent of Schools  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Each year adds new experiences with the very varied group of individuals in our schools who need readjustment in their lives. There are so many misunderstood children and some have two problem parents.

"Psychology has produced evidence of the need which each child has to be understood as an individual with his own mental equipment, limitations and abilities." Perhaps in the future schools will be responsible for creating an environment that will meet all these needs, and if so, it will be a real project. Children who are failing in their studies (class work), or who are annoying, irritable or perhaps too aggressive, indicate that there is a lack of understanding. However, it is very slowly becoming recognized that there is an important relationship between an individual's social problems and his effective performance of duty and when this is given definite thought, some program will doubtless be developed in the line of social service for young children.

The Massachusetts Conference of Social Workers was held in Boston this Fall. Subjects such as "Dynamics of Adolescence" and "The Maladjusted Individual in the Community," were discussed by leaders of many years' experience in this field of work. I thought of so many young people in Braintree who could be helped tremendously if some one member of the family understood them.

I am omitting the summary of calls this year. The reasons have been so varied that it is impossible to classify them so they would be of public interest.

Instead I have one true story to tell:

One day last Spring a family moved into Braintree from a neighboring city. The family consisted of father, mother and a boy in his teens. The boy had been ill when a small child and the family physician had advised them not to send him to school because of a heart condition. Someone reported that a boy of school age was not attending school. We began an investigation. I was refused admission to the home, making several calls, hoping one of the parents would talk with me. Finally by having a member of the Police Department accompany me, I managed to get an interview. It took many calls to convince the parents that the large boy who had never been to school should be given a chance to become a self-supporting citizen. With the help of the police and the M. S. P. C. C. representative, arrangements were made and the parents approved of interviewing the best doctor and psychiatrist available to get advice on how best to start to educate an illiterate sixteen-year-old boy. I made a call the evening previous to the appointment, stating that I would call for them the following morning at 9:00 A.M.

I found a stranger in the home who told me the family were visiting out of town but would be ready.

The following morning I found the apartment vacant. The family had moved out of the State. Strange as this may seem to some, it proves that there must be many such cases in cities where it would be much easier to hide than near the Braintree Railroad Station. Had he remained here and accepted the help and guidance planned for him, he would have been Braintree's No. 1 Illiterate Minor in the State Record.



In the new directory of Social Agencies of Quincy are listed three agencies which are available to Braintree children who need them, The Massachusetts Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Infantile Paralysis Clinic and the Habit Clinic.

Again this fall, at the time of the hurricane, the Red Cross demonstrated that it is an arm of the government in any emergency—that same Red Cross that provides so many woolen knitted things for our needy school children.

The Salvation Army provides help for many people in all walks of life. This year shows some improvement in conditions but I have found twenty people in real need of clothing. We are indeed grateful for this help always available.

I am indeed grateful to the many friends who have helped me with donations and to the entire School Department for their help at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES L. WALKER.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Mary Louise Zampine  
 Arsen Elias Charles  
 William Joseph Fillingim  
 Mary Haddock Kjellander  
 Doris Ward Rice  
 Evelyn Johnson  
 Nancy Elsie Benotti  
 Phyllis Marjorie Simon  
 Velma Marie Shorey  
 Archie Carl Roberts  
 Irma Hilda Adams  
 Gordon Alves  
 Jennie Eugenia Anastos  
 Rita Mary Andrews  
 Marion Elizabeth Arnold  
 Thomas Joseph Azzato  
 Curtis Tufts Bacon  
 Madeleine Jenny Bate  
 Edith Marjory Beck  
 William Charles Bell  
 Spencer Bates Belyea  
 David Martin Benjamin  
 Mary Rita Better  
 Albert Frederick Bridgham  
 Elizabeth Robinson Britton  
 Shirley Wright Brock  
 Dorothy Elizabeth Brodie  
 Marjorie Eileen Brown  
 Naomi Barbara Brown  
 Doris Grace Bucknam  
 Marguerite Louise Burke  
 Mary Gertrude Burke  
 Mary Leah Burke  
 Elizabeth Ellen Butler  
 Elizabeth Frances Carter  
 Frances Winnifred Chamberlain  
 Henry Palmer Cincere, Jr.

Marguerite Esther Clark  
 Alice Elizabeth Coleman  
 Eleanor Louise Collins  
 Elizabeth Loring Conary  
 Robert Joseph Connolly  
 John Myatt Corcoran  
 Edward Arthur Corey  
 Ada Costantino  
 Mary Patricia Cramer  
 Richard Deane Crawford  
 Robert George Leahy  
 George Beattie LeLarge, Jr.  
 Phyllis Mary Leo  
 Virginia Kathleen LeVarn  
 John Paul LeVangie  
 Michael Angelo Lorusso  
 Louis Jean Macdonald  
 \*Isabelle Cecelia McFarlane  
 Helen Elizabeth MacInnis  
 Elizabeth Whitworth MacLeod  
 Regina Mary Maguire  
 Charles William Mann, Jr.  
 Barbara Pauline Marshall  
 Donald Gould Maxham  
 Jeanne Livingstone Maxwell  
 Marie Agnes McDonough  
 Catherine Agatha McGloin  
 Howard Franklin Menadier, Jr.  
 Lincoln Snow Monaghan, Jr.  
 Bernard Francis Murdock, Jr.  
 Marguerite Bertha Murphy  
 Rita Esther Neal  
 Barbara Corinne Nelson  
 Lillian Beatrice Nesbit  
 Margaret Agnes Norwood  
 Laua Dodd Odell  
 Charles Frederick Opferkuch



Grace May Opie  
 Eugenia O'Rourke  
 Charlotte Ruth Paradis  
 Jean Isabel Paterson  
 Fred Mathew Pendoley  
 Robert Perkins  
 Violet Shirley Peters  
 Warren Charles Pinkham  
 Norman Harold Pinola  
 Anita Qualey  
 Francis Patrick Reddy  
 William Amber Reed

\*Grace Rideout  
 Darrell Tasman Roberts  
 Harold Eldridge Rogers  
 \*Norman Ellsworth Ross  
 Elizabeth Rowell  
 Robert Calvin Crispin  
 John William Curran  
 Eleanor May Curtis  
 Dorothy Mae DeCoste  
 Edwina Dee  
 Estella May Demers  
 William John Doherty  
 Jone Francis Dunne  
 Virginia Marie Eisenhauer  
 Audrey Blake Ericson  
 Barbara Estabrook  
 Dorothy Marie Farrell  
 Paul Philip Foley  
 Clara Beatrice Frantiello  
 Frieda Craft Frazier  
 Linnie Marie Froggatt  
 Mary Elaine Gambino  
 Olive Francis Garvey  
 Richard Harry Gilbert  
 \*Flora McDonald Gillan  
 \*Donald John Gillespie, Jr.  
 Alexander Thompson Gillis  
 Phyllis Lillian Goebel  
 Emily Goldman  
 James Philip Gorman  
 Elizabeth Elliot Greene  
 Hazen Wendell Hardy  
 Catherine Margaret Hayden  
 Lawrence Joseph Healey  
 John Alfred Harwin Henshaw  
 Mary Gladys Henshaw  
 Donald Edward Hillier  
 Edith May Hinckley

Joyce Rosalind Hopkins  
 Elizabeth Beverstock Hughes  
 Edith Theresa Hutchinson  
 \*Beatrice Irving  
 Edward Wendell Jennings  
 Marion Eliot Keen  
 John Edward Kelley  
 Marion Lorraine Kendrick  
 Anna Helen Kobowski  
 Martin Embree Kormann  
 Frank Charles Lavina  
 Emily Elizabeth Lawrence  
 \*Barbara Ann Lawry  
 Richard Norman Layton  
 Austin Paul Ruddy  
 Frances Elinor Scott  
 Mary Magdalene Scott  
 Edith Harriet Sears  
 Victor Eugene Sears  
 Nelson Hathaway Seaver, Jr.  
 Harry Alyn Seavey  
 Gordon Edward Shadrick  
 Wilma Irene Shores  
 Bernard Henry Smith  
 Agnes May Smith  
 Doris Ruby Smith  
 Mabel Gertrude Smith  
 Helen Meredith Snow  
 \*Madeline Gertrude South  
 †Edward Souza  
 Wilbur Gordon Stone  
 Agnes Margaret Storm  
 Helen Sullivan  
 Charles Russell Taber  
 Mary Frances Talbot  
 Sarah Sophie Talbot  
 Evelyn Sadie Tardiff  
 \*Roger Leo Taylor  
 Earle Charles Thurlow  
 Margaret Alma Trainor  
 Frances Louise Turner  
 Clyde Carlyle Twitchell  
 Richard Patrick Walsh  
 Annie Frances Walter  
 Elizabeth Wheeler  
 Suzanne Wetmore Wholley  
 \*Richard Hagan Wilken  
 Preston Loring Wright  
 Ruth Helen Wynot  
 George Ralph Young, Jr.

First ten names arranged according to rank.

\*Not absent during four years' high school membership.

†Has completed high course in three years.

The following is a list of all the Grammar School Graduates in the Town of Braintree, June 23, 1938:

#### BRAINTREE HIGHLANDS SCHOOL

Dorothy Theresa Basher  
 Dorothy Ethel Bentley  
 Shirley Mae Berg  
 Norman Russell Brummett

May Elizabeth Carmichael  
 Thomas Joseph Cassidy  
 Mary Ann Thomson Day  
 Donald Ramsay Duncan

Robert Bradley Duncan  
 Betty Alden Giles  
 Jennie A. Graziano  
 Robert Warren Hale  
 Ruth Anna Holmberg  
 Barbara Ann Lyons

David John Scott  
 Grenneth M. Smith  
 Frank Stevens  
 Charles Edward Stone  
 Charles Timothy Sullivan  
 Barbara Wheeler

### NOAH TORREY SCHOOL

Alden Elton Adams  
 Frances Alberta Adams  
 Thomas Joseph Anderson  
 Anthony Francis Avitable, Jr.  
 Marie Angelina Azzato  
 Patricia Arline Benson  
 Genevieve Grace Berrio  
 Raymond Edwin Brown  
 Raymond Frederick Clinton  
 Edwin Floreston Coose  
 Thelma Lorraine Corrigan  
 Natalie Muriel Crocker  
 Johanna Dorothy DeAngelis  
 Arman Joseph Del Pico  
 Louise Joan Del Pico  
 Otto Earl Denning  
 Frances Elizabeth Devine  
 Elmer Matheson Donald  
 Shirley Anne Lorraine Eisenhower  
 June Elizabeth Farrow  
 Corrine Faralyn Fitzsimmons  
 Marjorie Elizabeth Frazier  
 Dorothy Constance French  
 Jeanne Marie Gagne  
 Hazel Estelle Griffin  
 Mary Rose Guiliano  
 Whitfield Byron Hallett  
 Barbara Elizabeth Hennessey

Richard Henry Hirth  
 John Henry Hirtle  
 Richard Abel Holmes  
 Christine Charlotte Johnson  
 Irene Frances LeVangie  
 Richard Linscott  
 Arshaver Peter Mamelian  
 Frances Mary Manganello  
 Frank Medico  
 Grace Mary Melchionno  
 Bertrand Francis Morse, Jr.  
 Marion Moschella  
 Norma Hope Neil  
 Edward Joseph O'Connell  
 Anton William Opferkuch  
 Barbara Evelyn Peck  
 John Joseph Percy  
 Thomas Edward Pittsley  
 Yolanda Ralto  
 Chadeane Ada Rhindress  
 Jean Lydia Sprout  
 Frances Elizabeth Sylvester  
 Eleanor Claire Thayer  
 Lucy Rose Thomas  
 Virginia Utudjian  
 Gerrit Van Gemert  
 Christine Elizabeth Watson  
 Robert Lee Westaway

### MONATIQUOT SCHOOL

Patricia Audrey Bacon  
 Dorothy Burton Bailey  
 Morrill Bates  
 Beatrice May Belyea  
 Albert Edward Bousquet, 3rd  
 Mary Elizabeth Bryan  
 Grace Patricia Connolly  
 Margaret Ann Connolly  
 George Henry Dunn  
 Oliver Clayton Ferguson  
 Mary Alden Halpin  
 Hope Hansen  
 Jean Evangeline Hixon  
 Enid Hollidge  
 Lawrence Lionel Jackson  
 Gilbert Harold Johnson  
 Jane Ursula Kellogg  
 William David Kjellander  
 Paul Edward Lane  
 William Sidney LeVangie, Jr.  
 Robert Andrew Lundell

Evelyn Martha MacNeill  
 James Francis Madden  
 Ralph Davis Malmstrom  
 Barbara Ann Moisan  
 Marie Elizabeth Moore  
 Frank Joseph Pantano  
 Rita Gertrude Pantano  
 Kenneth Franklin Pierce  
 Betty Lee Rice  
 Phyllis Marion Ross  
 Dorothy Marie Schlager  
 Pauline Louise Simmons  
 Richard Bryant Smith  
 Joseph James Starkey  
 Lee Crawford Thompson  
 Frederick Francis Trapp  
 Robert Francis Tully  
 Thomas Frederick Weathers  
 Beverly Alice Wing  
 George Wilford Woodsum



**HOLLIS SCHOOL**

Charles Stewart Alves  
 Gordon Soper Arnold  
 Richard Earl Boutin  
 Joseph Henry Diotte  
 Alfred David Erickson  
 Charles Sydney Fox  
 Bernard Eaton Keith  
 Donald Robert Mann  
 Ralph Herbert Marston  
 Donald Bartlett Thomas  
 Edward Forester Winslow

Florence Dorothy Foster  
 Theresa Anne Hall  
 Eileen Anne Hall  
 Eileen Claire Hartford  
 Gertrude Christine Hatch  
 Marjorie Elaine Keith  
 Wanda Ellis Leszkiewicz  
 Margaret Macandrew  
 Sophie Coutts Milne  
 Margaret Mary Shea  
 Anna Rose Walsh

**PENNIMAN SCHOOL**

Walter Harold Albert  
 Harold Erving Almy, Jr.  
 Donald McLean Almy  
 Richard Paul Benson  
 John Henry Cahill, Jr.  
 Daniel Jeremiah Collins  
 Robert William Davidson  
 Joseph Schofield Drinkwater, Jr.  
 Millard Frederick Drinkwater  
 Gordon Arthur Gaskill  
 Elmer Kenneth Gorham  
 Robert Cowan Harlow, 2nd  
 Robert Thomas Herendeen  
 Edward Lawrence Maguire  
 Robert Francis Mahar  
 Warren Arthur Mann  
 Thomas Harold McLaughlin  
 Richard Coleman Monahan  
 Archie Todd Morrison, Jr.  
 Burton Franklin Plummer  
 Robert Zimmerman Post, Jr.

Robert William Smith  
 Carl William Thorp  
 William Durfee Wilkinson  
 Adele Carolyn Boltz  
 Phyllis Louise Carlson  
 Celia Ann Cavanagh  
 Mary Theresa Cleary  
 Rita Frances Collins  
 Betty Pearl Erwin  
 Mary Frances Gallagher  
 Elizabeth Gould Lewis  
 Carmela Elizabeth Lisano  
 Mary Frances MacInnis  
 Elizabeth Wilkins Mann  
 Barbara Ruth Mitchell  
 Edna Mildred Norcross  
 Patricia Ellen Shortall  
 Joy Stuart  
 Anne Josephine Tagen  
 Elizabeth Wright

**JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL**

Cynthia Avery Allen  
 Arthur Bradford Barnes, Jr.  
 Ruth Frances Bean  
 Robert Charles A. Besselman  
 June Amelia Boudreau  
 Karl Irving Braun  
 Phyllis Stetson Briggs  
 Charles Maynard Brown  
 William Harold Buckley  
 James Fiske Benjamin Chase  
 Edward Charles Curran, Jr.  
 Florence Bertha Everton  
 Lawrence Barnard Frazier  
 Robert Edward Frazier  
 Frederic John Joseph Glassett  
 Barbara Hoyt  
 Lawrence Michael Kelly

Robert Eugene Larmey  
 Audrey Pierce LeLarge  
 John Joseph McClellan  
 Doris Helen McCusker  
 Eleanor Mary Elizabeth McNeil  
 Helen Frances Murphy  
 Elizabeth Marie Noonan  
 Albert John Owen  
 Malcolm Worcester Phillips  
 Esther Louise Pollock  
 Louise Mayolla Price  
 Alicia Ann Pyle  
 Robert Rhoderic Reed  
 Margaret Robinson  
 Everett Dana Snow  
 Edith Mary Storm

**THOMAS A. WATSON SCHOOL**

Albert Scott Allen  
 Barbara Louise Barter  
 Ethel Elizabeth Crossman  
 Mary Elizabeth Curley

Arthur Robert Cushing  
 John Edward DeCoste  
 Pauline Delory  
 Thomas Spencer Farrel



Jane Margaret Fox  
 Rachel Anne Green  
 Mary Estella Hunt  
 Earl Henry Landry  
 Richard Lyman Leach  
 Josephine Catherine LeRoy  
 John Clifford Levangie  
 Richard Joseph Lourie  
 Pauline Anne Luisi  
 Frederick Humphrey Maynard  
 William Francis McRae  
 Doris Louise Mikkelsen  
 Barbara Elizabeth Murray

Helen Burdeece Neal  
 George William Nelson, Jr.  
 Ralph Francis O'Neil  
 Kenneth John Plummer  
 John Standish Russell  
 Shirley Marie Smith  
 Rita Ann Sullivan  
 June Mary Thomas  
 Richard Townsend  
 Eunice Lee Toye  
 Louise May Turner  
 Charles Wendell Wakefield  
 Marion Hilda White

### ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL

Doris Mildred Brown  
 Pauline Gertrude Brown  
 Rosella Lillian Butler  
 Mildred Louise Campbell  
 Dorothy Elaine Carroll  
 Mary Edna Cheverie  
 Margaret Eileen Cheverie  
 Patricia Louise Cox  
 Louis Paul Faustini  
 John Albert Ferrante  
 Joseph Robert Ferris  
 Arthur Rocco Fiorini  
 Virginia Annamay Frazier  
 Merton Embree Froggatt  
 John Francis Greene  
 Shirley Mary Howe  
 Edrick Mason Jenkins, Jr.

Marion Theresa Jessup  
 Kathleen Ellen Leahy  
 Barbara Rose Leet  
 Florence Virginia Levangie  
 Audrey Yvonne McCusker  
 Mary Josephine Moore  
 Jeanette Myrtle Pafford  
 Leon Gladstone Proverb  
 Edith Jacqueline Sarnell  
 Robert John Smith  
 Robert Francis Stenberg  
 Vincent Paul Robert Sullivan  
 Eugene Richard Tardif  
 Marilyn Virginia Taylor  
 Charles Edward Thomson  
 Edwin Phelps Westover

# BRAINTREE HIGH SCHOOL

Department	October 1, 1938 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Principal	Total 1037	James L. Jordan	Bates College	30 years	Sept. 1918
Secretary	Post Grad. 31	Kathleen L. Welch	Braintree High		Oct. 1929
Sub-Master-Science			Barry's Secretarial School		
	Seniors 203	Samuel E. Lawrence	R. I. State College	22 years	Sept. 1921
Science	Juniors 258	Paul V. Toolin	University of N. H.	10 years	Sept. 1930
Science	Sophomores 273	Almeda M. Walker	Mass. State College	13 years	Sept. 1927
Science, Mathematics					
	Freshmen 272	Walter J. Kane	Norwich University	8 years	Sept. 1934
Science		Harold M. Hawkes	University of N. H.	5 years	Sept. 1938
Science, Civics		James M. Dysart	Bowdoin College	9 years	Sept. 1932
Mathematics		Katherine K. Waldron	Boston University	29 years	Sept. 1924
Mathematics		Alton C. Perry	University of Maine	13 years	Sept. 1928
Civics		William H. Erwin	St. Mary's College	4 years	Sept. 1936
History, Guidance		G. Vinton Jones	Colby College	11 years	Sept. 1929
History		Albert J. Murphy	Bridgewater State T. Col.		
			Boston University	10 years	Sept. 1931
History		Eula I. Hutchins	Boston University	13 years	Sept. 1932
History		Edward R. Oakman	Boston University	1 year	Sept. 1937
English		Constance F. Stecher	Boston University	12 years	Sept. 1928
English		Charles W. Brooks	Bridgewater State T. Col.	23 years	Jan. 1916
English		Rufus M. Grindle	Colby College		
			University of Maine	14 years	Sept. 1934
English		Marion L. Billings	Smith College	17 years	Sept. 1924
English		Gladys E. Maxfield	University of Maine	17 years	Sept. 1926
English, Drawing		Katherine D. Hearn	Trinity College	9 years	Sept. 1933
English, Latin		Bernadine McCusker	Boston University	8 years	Sept. 1931
Drawing		Aldo C. Chiesa	Mass. School of Art	11½ years	April 1929

Department	October 1, 1938 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Latin		Ida Wilsker	Boston University	16 years	Sept. 1924
French, Latin		Hazel M. Summerville	University of N. H.	13 years	Sept. 1926
French		Josephine A. Keany	Boston University	17 years	Sept. 1924
German, Spanish		U. Chester Ullman	St. John's College	5 years	Sept. 1936
Household Arts		Ruth J. Bennett	Framingham State T. Col.	23 years	Sept. 1919
Household Arts		Bertha C. Emerson	Fairmount Normal	27 years	Sept. 1927
Librarian		Ruth P. Strout	Boston University	11 years	Sept. 1929
Commercial		Raymond L. Strangford	Northeastern University	21 years	Sept. 1922
Commercial		Edna M. Parker	Boston University	8 years	Sept. 1935
Commercial		Richard W. Johnson	Fitchburg State T. Col.	18 years	Sept. 1922
Commercial		G. Kenneth Rogers	Northeastern University	1½ years	Sept. 1938
Commercial		Mildred B. Ahlgren	Salem State T. College	19 years	Sept. 1923
Commercial		Viola P. Evans	Salem State T. College	13 years	Sept. 1928
Commercial		Lillie A. Kleinberg	Boston University		
Commercial		Margaret C. Kirby	University of Berlin	6 years	Mar. 1936
Commercial		Ruth W. Thrasher	Salem State T. College	24 years	Sept. 1923
Commercial		Anna M. Tilley	Boston University	17 years	Sept. 1924
Commercial		Marion J. Simpson	Boston University	12 years	Sept. 1928
Physical Education		Ellsworth R. Thwing	Salem State T. College	4 years	Sept. 1936
Physical Education		Alice E. Daughraty	Aurora College	11 years	Sept. 1929
Vocal Music		Mae L. Lindsay	Posse Nissen School	11 years	Sept. 1929
			B. U. College of Music	3 years	Sept. 1938
SOUTH DISTRICT					
District Principal		Charles G. Lord	Boston University	19 years	Sept. 1927



Department	October 1, 1938 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
BRAINTREE HIGHLANDS SCHOOL					
Cadet	245	George A. Jones	Bridgewater State T. Col.	2 years	Sept. 1936
Grade VIII	23	Loretta M. McGinty	Bridgewater State T. Col.	11 years	Sept. 1930
Grade VII	21	Albert Avitabile	Bridgewater State T. Col.	3½ years	Feb. 1935
Grade VI	26	Flora I. Donald	Boston University	10½ years	Sept. 1933
Grade V	27	Elinor Stimson	Lowell State T. College Gorham Normal	9 years	Sept. 1933
Grade IV	26	Eunice M. Brown	Boston University	10 years	Sept. 1930
Grade III	27	Doris M. Varney	N. Adams State T. Col.	12 years	Sept. 1929
Grade II	29	Josephine M. Foster	Keene Normal	35½ years	Sept. 1903
Grade I	38	Mary A. Reardon	Braintree High School	5 years	Sept. 1933
Kindergarten	28	Cornelia A. Sullivan	Hyannis State T. Col. Bridgewater State T. Col.	2 years	Sept. 1936
NOAH TORREY SCHOOL					
Cadet	445	John F. Barrows	Bridgewater State T. Col.	2 years	Sept. 1936
Cadet		Doris G. Perkins	N. Adams State T. Col.	1 year	Oct. 1937
Grade VIII	24	Blanche Hinds	Boston State T. Col.	26 years	Dec. 1924
Grade VIII	24	Frances E. Gray	Boston University	3 years	Dec. 1935
Grade VII	33	Clara B. Ferguson	Lowell State T. Col.	26 years	Sept. 1929
Grade VII	32	Marguerite V. Murphy	Bridgewater State T. Col.	22 years	Sept. 1930
Grade VI	33	Helen H. Darroch	Gorham Normal	11 years	Sept. 1933
Grade VI	32	Margaret L. Reardon	Bridgewater State T. Col.	5 years	Sept. 1933
Grade V	40	Florence M. Jeffers	Westfield State T. Col.	11½ years	Sept. 1931
Grade V	40	Ruth G. Cleverly	Salem State T. Col.	2 years	Sept. 1936
Grade IV	32	Esther F. Drake	Bridgewater State T. Col.	13 years	Sept. 1928

Department	October 1, 1938 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Grade IV	32	Margaret E. Perkins	Colby College	19 years	Sept. 1922
Grade III	30	Constance A. Church	Bridgewater State T. Col.	5 years	Sept. 1933
Grade III	29	Mary F. Flaherty	Bridgewater State T. Col.	7 years	Sept. 1936
Grade II	28	Mildred S. Parsons	Perry Normal	8 years	Sept. 1932
Grade II	29	Ida E. Stratton	Newburyport Training	27 years	Apr. 1926
Special Class	7	Shirley E. Makemson	Bridgewater State T. Col.	9 years	Sept. 1932
POND SCHOOL					
	75				
Grade I	22	Leta M. Weston	Brookfield High School	27 years	Sept. 1918
Grade I	21	May Burns	Bridgewater State T. Col.	5 years	Sept. 1933
Kindergarten	32	Lucy Gage	Wheelock	14 years	Sept. 1933
JOSEPHINE B. COLBERT SCHOOL					
	31				
Grade I	14	Clara N. M. Holbrook	Thayer Academy	*29 years	Sept. 1909
Kindergarten	17	Ethella M. Nichols	Perry Normal	22 years	Sept. 1916
NORTH DISTRICT					
District Principal		Chester T. Ray	Bridgewater State T. Col.	9 years	Sept. 1936
MONATIQUOT SCHOOL					
Cadet	317	Abia E. Brown	Framingham State T. Col.	7 years	Sept. 1937
Grade VIII	38	Mary C. Halloran	Bridgewater State T. Col.	9 years	Sept. 1931
			Boston University		

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Grade VII	44	Mabelle E. Steele	Plymouth Normal	28 years	Jan. 1933
Grade VI	43	E. Aldana Coleman	Castine Normal	28 years	Sept. 1926
Grade V	34	Marcia B. White	Oswego Normal, N. Y.	6 years	Sept. 1937
Grade IV	37	Mabel I. Priestman	Farmington Normal	11 years	Sept. 1929
Grade III	36	E. A. Maude Craig	Hyannis State T. Col.	24 years	Sept. 1929
Grade II	27	Cora M. Coffill	N. Adams State T. Col.	25 years	Sept. 1918
Grade I	38	Helen A. Hadden	Bridgewater State T. Col.	8 years	Sept. 1931
Kindergarten	20	Eleanor M. Gannon	Bridgewater State T. Col. Perry Normal	5 years	Sept. 1933
HOLLIS SCHOOL					
Cadet	339	Anna R. Hepperle	Bridgewater State T. Col.	None	Sept. 1938
Grade VIII	42	Minnie M. Tibbetts	Castine Normal	18 years	Sept. 1927
Grade VII	40	Mary B. Arnold	Tufts College	14 years	Sept. 1927
Grade VI	25	Katherine D. Branley	Bridgewater State T. Col.	2 years	Sept. 1936
Grades V and VI	25	Ruth G. Munroe	Hyannis State T. Col.	4 years	Sept. 1934
Grade V	28	Dorothy Russell	Fitchburg State T. Col.	12 years	Sept. 1929
Grade IV	43	Julia F. Young	Gorham Normal	12 years	Oct. 1928
Grade III	29	Rosalie S. Bayley	Thayer Academy	39 years	Sept. 1899
Grade II	32	Grace C. Church	Boston State T. Col.	20 years	Sept. 1933
Grade I	30	Rena E. Hemenway	Salem State T. Col.	20 years	Sept. 1922
Kindergarten	30	Bessie M. Scott	Aroostook Normal	14 years	Dec. 1930
Special Class	15	Bertha L. Jennings	Bridgewater State T. Col.	30 years	Sept. 1925
PENNIMAN SCHOOL					
Cadet	375	Margaret McGloin	Bridgewater State T. Col.	None	Nov. 1938
Grade VIII	26	Eleanor G. Brown	Bridgewater State T. Col.	17½ years	Sept. 1922
Grades VII and VIII	29	Gertrude H. Falt	Gorham Normal	15 years	Sept. 1926



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Grade VII	34	Louise M. Hough	Lesley Normal Bridgewater State T. Col.	4 years	Sept. 1934
Grade VI	42	Ruth E. Arbuckle	Keene Normal	9½ years	Sept. 1932
Grade V	32	Marie G. Sward	Atlantic Union	13 years	Sept. 1931
Grade IV	30	Mary E. Mills	Castine Normal	28 years	Sept. 1926
Grades III and IV	28	Mary G. Leahy	Keene Normal	17 years	Sept. 1928
Grade III	35	Mildred A. Hazel tine	Plymouth Normal	13 years	Dec. 1930
Grade II	33	Frances E. Ryan	Bridgewater State T. Col.	5 years	Sept. 1933
Grades I and II	28	Ilo L. Sullard	Willimantic Normal	13 years	Dec. 1930
Grade I	29	Mary E. Rand	Bridgewater State T. Col.	7 years	Sept. 1932
Kindergarten	29	Cecilia C. Whelan	Wheelock	22 years	Sept. 1916
EAST DISTRICT					
District Principal		I. Raymond Libby	Framington Normal Boston University	14 years	Sept. 1929
JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL					
Cadet	289	Rowena Wynot	Bridgewater State T. Col.	None	Sept. 1938
Grade VIII	40	Bertha E. Hinchcliffe	Salem State T. Col.	23 years	Sept. 1924
Grade VII	38	Ena M. Bell	Aroostook Normal	15 years	Sept. 1929
Grade VI	23	Clarence Newton Blair	Bridgewater State T. Col.	2 years	Sept. 1936
Grade V	30	Eleanor C. Tarbox	Bridgewater State T. Col.	7 years	Nov. 1936
Grade IV	25	Lillian M. Cleary	Bridgewater State T. Col.	1 year	Sept. 1937
Grade III	42	Helen C. Dignan	Bridgewater State T. Col.	20 years	Sept. 1921
Grade II	34	Helen F. Moore	Bridgewater State T. Col.	9 years	Sept. 1930
Grade I	29	Marguerite L. Sumner	Page Kindergarten	42 years	Sept. 1904
Kindergarten	28	Evelyn C. McNamara	Wheelock	3½ years	Feb. 1935

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THOMAS A. WATSON SCHOOL					
Cadet	351	Katherine H. Spillane	Bridgewater State T. Col.	None	Sept. 1938
Grade VIII	38	A. Eugenia Wilbas	Bridgewater State T. Col.	18 years	Sept. 1922
Grade VII	37	Ruth I. Clark	North Adams State T. Col.	15 years	Sept. 1925
Grade VI	36	Dorothy M. King	Bridgewater State T. Col.	7 years	Sept. 1933
Grade V	39	Mary T. Madden	Bridgewater State T. Col.	19 years	Sept. 1923
Grade IV	42	Gladys M. Pierce	Castine Normal	18 years	Sept. 1927
Grade III	30	Georgianna B. Barrows	R. I. Col. of Education	11 years	Sept. 1930
Grade III	17	Ruth M. Loneran	Bridgewater State T. Col.	5 years	Sept. 1933
Grade II	37	Aileen L. Kingsbury	Bridgewater State T. Col.	13 years	Sept. 1925
Grade I	42	Florence E. Quinn	Wheelock	3½ years	Feb. 1935
Kindergarten	33	Mary B. Warren	U. Lincoln School Lesley Normal	16 years	Sept. 1929
ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL					
Cadet	328	George F. Hough	University of Alabama	None	Sept. 1938
Grade VIII	37	Mary E. Gordon	Framingham State T. Col.	10 years	Sept. 1933
Grade VII	33	Donald E. Ross	Bridgewater State T. Col.	3 years	Sept. 1935
Grade VI	38	Anna V. Galligan	Bridgewater State T. Col.	30 years	Sept. 1916
Grade V	37	Rena M. Ryan	Bridgewater State T. Col.	3½ years	Feb. 1935
Grade IV	32	Emily A. Landry	Bridgewater State T. Col.	22 years	Sept. 1918
Grade III	42	Laura M. Snow	Gorham Normal	11½ years	Jan. 1930
Grade II	26	Martha V. Scully	Plymouth Normal	14 years	Sept. 1930
Grade I	21	Henrietta F. E. Byam	Bridgewater State T. Col.	34½ years	Sept. 1933
Grade I	21	Margaret L. Fleck	Wheelock	2 years	Sept. 1936
Kindergarten	28	Florence M. Ladrigan	Perry Kindergarten	15 years	Sept. 1927
Special Class	13	Alice Crocker	Bridgewater State T. Col.	30 years	Sept. 1925

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SUNDRY PERSONS					
Instrumental Music		Arthur P. Hauck	N. E. Conservatory		
Vocal Music		Ingrid E. Ekman	Ithaca College	2½ years	Jan. 1936
Drawing		Ruth H. Johnson	N. E. Conservatory	28 years	Sept. 1919
Physical Education		Francis G. Luoma	Mass. School of Art	14 years	Sept. 1927
Physical Education		Ethel N. Douglass	Springfield College	3 years	Sept. 1938
Nurse		Mary E. Collins	Sargent College	1 year	Sept. 1938
Superintendent		C. Edward Fisher	Malden Hospital	36 years	Sept. 1929
Secretary		Edna E. Woodsum	St. Lawrence University	38 years	Oct. 1921
Supervisor of Attendance		Frances L. Walker	Brown University		
Repair Man		Edward O. Long	Braintree High School		Jan. 1936
Physician		Dr. Robert E. Ross	Pierce Secretarial School		Sept. 1934
Physician		Dr. Reuben H. Frogel			June 1922
Physician		Dr. John J. Gallivan			



## JANITORS

William G. Benham, 12 Clark Street, Braintree.  
 George W. Jennings, 317 Washington Street, Braintree.  
 Harlan S. Demeritt, 27 Sampson Avenue, Braintree.  
 Lottabell A. Demeritt, 27 Sampson Avenue, Braintree.  
 Howard Harrington, 160 Liberty Street, South Braintree.  
 Guy E. Wood, 191 Pond Street, South Braintree.  
 Nelson E. Hayden, 305 Pond Street, South Braintree.  
 Marion C. Gillette, 21 Hancock Street, South Braintree.  
 Frank T. Lindsay, 26 Frederick Road, South Braintree.  
 George Perkins, 18 Middle Street, Braintree.  
 Omer W. Hollis, 282 Union Street, Braintree.  
 Leon W. Hyde, 35 Claremont Street, East Braintree.  
 Joseph M. McRae, 53 Arborway Drive, East Braintree.  
 James L. Parker, 66 Hillcrest Road, East Braintree.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Teachers' Salaries .....	\$234,868.05	
Superintendent's Salary .....	4,625.00	
Secretary's Salary .....	1,300.00	
Supervisor of Attendance Salary.....	700.00	
Telephone, Postage, Printing, etc.....	1,115.28	
Nurse, School Physicians & Health Supplies.....	2,755.30	
Janitors' Salaries .....	16,756.26	
Fuel .....	8,983.89	
Light, Water and Miscellaneous Operating Sup- plies .....	5,093.24	
Text Books and Supplies.....	16,226.19	
Transportation .....	8,864.15	
Tuition .....	6,567.98	
Repairs .....	19,025.69	
Outlay .....	1,222.59	
Miscellaneous .....	2,181.65	
Total .....		\$330,285.27

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN ON ACCOUNT OF THE  
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Massachusetts School Fund.....	\$28,680.00	
State Reimbursement (on Tuition Paid).....	1,672.57	
Tuition (State Wards and Others).....	540.66	
Miscellaneous .....	168.34	
		<u>31,061.57</u>
Net Cost to Town for Support of Schools.....		\$299,223.70

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND

In accordance with the advice of the state auditors, this fund is not treated as a trust fund of the town, but is administered by the Trustees of the Braintree School Fund and, in accordance with a vote of the town, the income is used for scholarships awarded to graduates of the Braintree High School, to be applied toward first year's expenses in pursuing higher education. A report of the 1938 receipts and expenses follows:

Receipts

Balance January 1, 1938 .....	\$ 642.98
Rent .....	325.00
Interest on deposits .....	140.30
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	\$ 1,108.28

Expenditures

Repairs on property .....	\$ 83.60
Taxes .....	135.78
Scholarships .....	300.00
Balance Dec. 31, 1938 .....	588.90
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	\$ 1,108.28

Trustees of Braintree School Fund,  
by  
JOHN W. HARDING, Chairman,  
OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Board of Assessors**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**



## 1938 RECAPITULATION

**City or Town:** (All Appropriations Voted Since 1937 Tax Rate was Fixed Must be Included)

Total appropriations as certified by city or town clerk to be raised by taxation,  
G. L. (Ter. Ed.) Chap. 41, Sec. 15A. . . \$1,024,547.18

Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds, G. L. (Ter. Ed.) Chap. 59, Sec. 23:

In 1938 . . . . . \$35,682.33

Appropriations:

Water . . . \$94,940.00

Light . . . 300.00 95,240.00 130,922.33 \$1,155,469.51

Debt and Interest, matured and maturing, as certified by Treasurer, NOT included in appropriations above,

G. L. (Ter. Ed.) Chap. 44, Section 16. . . . .

Final Court judgments ascertained, G. L. (Ter. Ed.)

Chap. 59, Sec. 23 . . . . . 2,172.42

Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years, G. L. (Ter. Ed.)

Chap. 59, Sec. 23:

1926 . . . . . \$12.30

1927 . . . . . 12.90

1933 . . . . . 9.00

1934 . . . . . 282.20

1935 . . . . . 287.92

1936 . . . . . 818.67

1937 . . . . . 4,028.19

Total Deficits to be carried to outside column. . . 5,451.18

Any other amount required to be raised:

Final Tax Judgments . . . . . 282.91

**State:** Tax and Assessments:

	1938 Est. Col. 1 of Cherry Sh.	1937 Underest. Col. 2 of Cherry Sh.
State Tax . . . . .	\$33,840.00	\$3,037.50
Abatement of Smoke Nuisance . . . . .	273.38	
Auditing Municipal Accounts . . . . .	1,362.48	
Hospital and home care for Civil War veterans. . . . .	120.00	

Additional State Assessment	40,938.14	3,103.66
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Sum of totals to be carried to outside column . . . . .

\$76,534.00	\$ 6,141.16	82,675.16
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# ADDITIONAL STATE ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED TO BE RAISED BY CITIES AND TOWNS IN METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS AREA

1938 Estimates  
Col. 1 of Cherry Sh.

Charles River Basin Loan Fund, etc. . . . .	\$ 2,862.17
Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund . . . . .	12,467.77
Met. Planning Division . . . . .	166.42
Met. Parks Loan Sinking Fund, Series 2, etc. . . . .	1,272.05
Met. Parks Loan Fund, Nantasket, Maintenance . . . . .	809.07
Ld. Takings Revere Hghwy. . . . .	144.25
Fore River Bridge—Draw Operating . . . . .	2,600.00

Wellington Bridge—Maintenance .....	27.25
Met. Sewerage Loan, Sinking Fund, etc., South System .....	20,589.16

Total to be carried to last line under State: Tax and assessments Col. 1 .....	<u>\$40,938.14</u>
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1937 Underestimates  
Col. 2 of Cherry Sh.

Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund, etc., Series No. 1 ..	\$ 393.36
Land Takings, Revere Highway .....	96.35
Ways in Malden, Braintree, Weymouth and Hingham .....	.05
West Roxbury-Brookline Parkway .....	138.52
Fore River Bridge—Draw Operating .....	<u>2,475.38</u>

Total to be carried to last line under State: Tax and assessments Col. 2 .....	<u>\$ 3,103.66</u>
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**County: Tax and Assessments:**

County Tax .....	\$25,708.45	\$ 32.02
Tuberculosis Hospital .....	9,660.32	

Sum of totals to be  
carried to outside col-  
umn .....

\$35,368.77	\$ 32.02	<u>\$35,400.79</u>
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Overlay of current year .....	<u>20,332.53</u>
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Gross amount to be raised .....	<u>\$1,301,784.50</u>
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### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax \$34,517.12 and \$9,841.47 .....	\$ 44,358.59
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Corporation Taxes \$1,736.74—\$22,417.39 —\$9,232.69 .....	33,386.82
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(Use total amounts certified to you by  
the Commissioner of Corporations and  
Taxation (from Col. 3 of Cherry Sh.))

Motor Vehicle Excise .....	40,175.76
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Licenses and Permits .....	8,621.00
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Fines (Court) .....	779.83
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**Special Assessments:**

Moth .....	\$ 109.00
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Sewer Service .....	4,752.55
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Streets .....	1,934.80
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Committed Interest ...	<u>3,309.04</u>
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10,105.39

General Government .....	1,654.21
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Protection of Persons and Property .....	1,099.02
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Health and Sanitation .....	3,278.98
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Highways .....	104.47
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Charities (other than federal grants for aid to dependent children) .....	22,992.84
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Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants) .....	23,454.26
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Soldiers' Benefits .....	620.00
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Schools .....	2,011.99
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Libraries .....	646.69
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Public Service Enterprises (such as Water  
Department, etc.):

Water .....	\$94,940.00
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Light .....	<u>300.00</u>
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95,240.00

Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots) .....	226.00
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Interest on Deposits .....	16.67
Interest on Taxes and Assessments .....	16,713.77
Veterans' Exemptions .....	249.82
Miscellaneous (Settlement of Suit) .....	916.00

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Total Estimated Receipts ..... \$306,652.11

**Overestimates** of previous year to be used  
as available funds: (from Col. 4 of  
Cherry Sh.):

Charles River Basin Loan Fund, etc. ....	9.93
Metropolitan Planning Division .....	2.59
Metropolitan Parks Loan Fund, Nantasket, Maintenance .....	219.30
Metropolitan Sewerage Loan Sinking Fund, etc., South System .....	200.41
Abatement Smoke Nuisance .....	1.13

**Available Funds Approved by Commissioner**

May 18, 1938 .....	\$ 8,000.00
May 18, 1938 .....	3,000.00
May 18, 1938 .....	19,860.00
May 18, 1938 .....	360.00
May 18, 1938 .....	615.00
May 18, 1938 .....	1,939.87
May 18, 1938 .....	4.00
May 18, 1938 .....	1,903.46
	<hr/> 35,682.33

Total Available Funds ..... \$ 36,115.69

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds .... 342,767.80

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Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Polls and Prop-  
erty ..... \$959,016.70

Number of polls, 5,120, at \$2.00 each, Poll Tax ..... \$ 10,240.00

Total Valuation (at Tax Rate of \$37.20):

Personal Property \$865,100.00; Personal Prop. Tax	32,181.72
Real Estate \$24,639,650.00; Real Estate Tax .....	916,594.98

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Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property ..... \$959,016.70

**Betterment and special assessments** (not entering into  
the determination of the Tax Rate):

1938 Apportioned Betterment Assessments —Sewer .....	\$12,747.85
1938 Committed Interest on above .....	5,258.85
1938 Unapportioned Betterment Assess- ments—Sewer .....	216.00
1938 Committed Interest on above .....	8.64
1938 Apportioned Betterment Assessments —Street .....	1,708.40
1938 Committed Interest Apportioned Bet- terment Assessments—Street .....	293.84
1938 Unapportioned Betterment Assess- ments—Sewer Service Connections...	19.94
1938 Committed Interest on above .....	1.69
1938 Apportioned Betterment Assess- ments—Sewer Service Connections..	979.15
1938 Committed Interest on above .....	515.21

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Total Assessments Committed ..... 21,749.57

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Total Amount of All Taxes and Assessments on Polls  
and Property Committed to the Collector in 1938.. \$980,766.27



**TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES.  
AS ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1938**

**Number of Persons Assessed:**

	Individuals	All Others*	Total
On Personal Estate Only . . . . .	226	31	257
On Real Estate Only . . . . .	2590	1505	4095
On Both Personal and Real Estate . . . . .	102	22	124

Total Number of Persons Assessed . . . . . 4,476

\*Partnerships, Associations or Trusts, Corporations, etc.

**Number of Male Polls Assessed** . . . . . 5,120

**Value of Assessed Personal Estate**

Stock in Trade . . . . .	\$ 65,100.00
Machinery . . . . .	153,800.00
Live Stock . . . . .	18,100.00
All Other Tangible Personal Property . . . . .	628,100.00

Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate . . . . . \$ 865,100.00

**Value of Assessed Real Estate**

Building exclusive of Land . . . . .	\$16,933,275.00
Land exclusive of Buildings . . . . .	7,706,375.00

Total Value of Assessed Real Estate . . . . . \$24,639,650.00

Total Valuation of Assessed Estate . . . . . \$25,504,750.00

**Tax Rate per \$1000—\$37.20.**

**Taxes for State, County, and City or Town  
Purposes, including Overlay**

On Personal Estate (Item 10 x Item 15) . . . . .	\$ 32,181.72
On Real Estate (Item 13 x Item 15) . . . . .	916,594.98
On Polls (Item 5 x \$2.00) . . . . .	10,240.00

Total Taxes Assessed . . . . . \$959,016.70

**Number of Live Stock Assessed**

Horses (1 year old, or over) . . . . .	68
Neat Cattle:	
Cows (Milch) (1 year old, or over) . . . . .	87
Yearlings, bulls, heifers, etc. (1 year old, or over) . . . . .	5
Swine (6 months old, or over) . . . . .	733
Sheep (6 months old, or over) . . . . .	44
Fowl . . . . .	3,324
All Other . . . . .	28

**Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed** (each building counted as ONE without regard to the number of families housed) 4,184

**Number of Acres of Land Assessed** . . . . . 7,640

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a full and true copy of the Table of Aggregates as it appears in the Valuation List, according to our best knowledge and belief.

Subscribed this 21st day of June, 1938, under the penalties of perjury.

WALTER B. SKINNER, Chairman,

FRED AUSTERBERRY, Clerk

NORRIS H. PINAULT,

Board of Assessors of Braintree..

June 21, 1938.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We respectfully submit the following report:

The total number of registered voters at the close of registration,  
October 19, 1938.

Precinct 1 .....	3141
Precinct 2 .....	3292
Precinct 3 .....	3102
Total .....	<u>9535</u>

VIRGIE M. SEARS,  
THOMAS F. MULLIGAN,  
HARRISON W. BAILEY,  
Registrars of Voters.

Attest:

ERNEST C. WOODSUM,  
Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Town Treasurer**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**

**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**



## TREASURER'S REPORT

JOHN W. HARDING, Treasurer

In account with the TOWN of BRAINTREE

Dr.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1938 .....	\$ 235,224.44
Received from Collection Department (see Account- ant's report for details) .....	966,496.13
Received from all other sources .....	1,387,768.22
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	\$2,589,488.79

Cr.

Paid by Warrants of Selectmen .....	\$2,359,474.24
Cash Book Balance, Dec. 31, 1938 .....	230,014.55
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	\$2,589,488.79

The cash book balance is made up of the following items:

General Town Account Balance .....	\$109,507.52
Braintree Water Department Balance .....	7,172.11
Braintree Electric Light Dept. Balance .....	3,573.26
Electric Light Depreciation Fund .....	109,168.64
Chas. E. French Fund, Income Balance .....	30.24
Hannah R. Hollis Fund, Income Balance .....	6.52
George W. Kelley Fund, Income Balance .....	.43
Joseph S. Miller Fund, Income Balance .....	1.54
Julia A. Minchin Fund, Income Balance .....	7.18
Ann M. Penniman Fund, Income Balance .....	59.28
Avis A. Thayer Fund, Income Balance .....	7.08
Charles Thayer Fund, Income Balance .....	460.81
Tercentenary Fund, Accrued Income .....	19.94
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	\$230,014.55

TRUST FUND TRANSACTIONS—YEAR 1938

	Principal of Fund Jan. 1, 1938	Balance of Income Jan. 1, 1938	Receipts 1938	Paid from Fund 1938	Paid from Income 1938	Balance of Income Dec. 31, 1938	Principal of Fund Dec. 31, 1938
Nathaniel H. Hunt Trust.....	\$24,276.99		\$522.65		\$522.65		\$24,276.99
Charles E. French Trust.....	2,419.50	\$18.14	60.79		48.69	\$30.24	2,419.50
Ann M. Penniman Trust.....	500.00	66.79	13.99		21.50	59.28	500.00
George W. Kelley Trust.....	200.00	2.35	5.08		7.00	.43	200.00
Hannah R. Hollis Trust.....	100.00	3.93	2.59			6.52	100.00
Julia A. Minchin Trust.....	100.00	8.47	2.71		4.00	7.18	100.00
Charles Thayer Trust.....	20,329.06	607.59	576.90		723.68	460.81	20,329.06
Avis A. Thayer Trust.....	500.00	9.46	12.62		15.00	7.08	500.00
Joseph S. Miller Trust.....			125.20			1.54	123.66
Braintree Tercentenary Fund.	66.77	17.83	2.11			19.94	66.77
Electric Depreciation Fund...	121,985.98		34,860.81	\$47,678.15			109,168.64

JOHN W. HARDING,  
Town Treasurer.

## TOWN OF BRAINTREE

## WATER DEPARTMENT

John W. Harding, Treasurer

(See Braintree Water Department Report)

## TOWN OF BRAINTREE

## ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

John W. Harding, Treasurer

(See Braintree Electric Light Department Report)

## OUTSTANDING DEBT

**Funded Debt.**

The outstanding funded debt of the Town on Jan. 1, 1938 amounted to \$879,000. During the year \$95,000 of this debt matured and was paid, leaving \$784,000 outstanding on Dec. 31, 1938. During the year interest amounting to \$33,585 on the funded debt came due and was paid. The following pages contain a tabulation showing in detail the amounts maturing annually on each issue of bonds and the interest due each year.

**Anticipation of Revenue Loans.**

As of Dec. 31, 1938 there were outstanding \$200,000 Anticipation of Revenue Notes of which \$50,000 are due Mar. 27, 1939, \$50,000 due April 24, 1939, \$50,000 due May 22, 1939 and \$50,000 due June 26, 1939.

**Tax Title Loan.**

Acting under a vote passed at the Special Town Meeting of October 10, 1938 the Town borrowed \$30,810 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the Tax Titles held by the Town. Subsequently \$4,928.83 of this loan was repaid leaving a balance of \$25,881.17 outstanding on Dec. 31, 1938.



TOWN OF BRAINTREE  
CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

John W. Harding, Treasurer

RETIREMENT FUND

	Dr.
Balance, Jan. 1, 1938.....	\$4,844.29
Receipts for Year 1938.....	28,783.59
	<hr/> \$33,627.88

	Cr.
Paid by vouchers of Retirement Board.....	\$32,501.83
Balance, Dec. 31, 1938, deposited in National Shawmut Bank of Boston .....	1,126.05
	<hr/> \$33,627.88

EXPENSE FUND

	Dr.
Balance, Jan. 1, 1938.....	\$ 46.23
Appropriation from Town of Braintree.....	1,240.00
	<hr/> \$1,286.23

	Cr.
Paid by vouchers of Retirement Board.....	\$1,229.63
Balance, Dec. 31, 1938, deposited in the Braintree National Bank .....	56.60
	<hr/> \$1,286.23



TABULATION OF TOWN OF BRAINTREE BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING DEC. 31, 1938, SHOWING ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL TO BE PROVIDED FROM REVENUE 1939 TO 1961 INCLUSIVE

Title of Loan	Rate	Due 1939	Due 1940	Due 1941	Due 1942	Due 1943	Due 1944	Due 1945	Due 1946	Due 1947	Due 1948	Due 1949	Due 1950	Due 1951	Due 1952	Due 1953	Due 1954	Due 1955	Due 1956	Due 1957	Due 1958	Due 1959	Due 1960	Due 1961	Total
First Sewer Loan of 1931 .....	3½%	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$339,000.00
Third Sewer Loan of 1934 .....	3¼	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	118,000.00
Second Sewer Loan of 1933 .....	5	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	65,000.00
Fire & Police Station Loan of 1930 .....	4	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	52,000.00
Highlands School Loan of 1929 .....	4½	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	48,000.00
Lincoln School Addition Loan of 1929 .....	4½	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	36,000.00
Watson School Loan of 1922 .....	4	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	16,000.00
High School Loan of 1926 .....	4	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	66,000.00
Penniman School Loan of 1926 .....	4	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	18,000.00
Torrey School Loan of 1925 .....	4¼	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
Water Main & Standpipe Loan of 1930 .....	4	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00
Total .....		\$95,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$82,000.00	\$53,000.00	\$49,000.00	\$48,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$784,000.00

TABULATION OF ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF INTEREST ON TOWN OF BRAINTREE BONDED DEBT TO BE PROVIDED FROM REVENUE 1939 TO 1961 INCLUSIVE

Title of Loan	Rate	Due 1939	Due 1940	Due 1941	Due 1942	Due 1943	Due 1944	Due 1945	Due 1946	Due 1947	Due 1948	Due 1949	Due 1950	Due 1951	Due 1952	Due 1953	Due 1954	Due 1955	Due 1956	Due 1957	Due 1958	Due 1959	Due 1960	Due 1961	Total
First Sewer Loan of 1931 .....	3½%	\$11,865.00	\$11,340.00	\$10,815.00	\$10,290.00	\$9,765.00	\$9,240.00	\$8,715.00	\$8,190.00	\$7,665.00	\$7,140.00	\$6,615.00	\$6,090.00	\$5,565.00	\$5,040.00	\$4,515.00	\$3,990.00	\$3,465.00	\$2,940.00	\$2,450.00	\$1,960.00	\$1,470.00	\$980.00	\$490.00	\$140,595.00
Third Sewer Loan of 1934 .....	3¼	3,835.00	3,575.00	3,315.00	3,055.00	2,795.00	2,535.00	2,275.00	2,047.50	1,820.00	1,592.50	1,365.00	1,137.50	910.00	682.50	455.00	227.50								31,622.50
Second Sewer Loan of 1933 .....	5	3,125.00	2,875.00	2,625.00	2,375.00	2,125.00	1,900.00	1,700.00	1,500.00	1,300.00	1,100.00	900.00	700.00	500.00	300.00	100.00									23,125.00
Fire & Police Station Loan of 1930 .....	4	2,080.00	1,760.00	1,440.00	1,120.00	840.00	560.00	280.00																	8,080.00
Highlands School Loan of 1929 .....	4½	2,160.00	1,800.00	1,440.00	1,080.00	720.00	360.00																		7,560.00
Lincoln School Addition Loan of 1929 .....	4½	1,620.00	1,350.00	1,080.00	810.00	540.00	270.00																		5,670.00
Watson School Loan of 1922 .....	4	640.00	480.00	320.00	160.00																				1,600.00
High School Loan of 1926 .....	4	2,640.00	1,760.00	880.00																					5,280.00
Penniman School Loan of 1926 .....	4	720.00	480.00	240.00																					1,440.00
Torrey School Loan of 1925 .....	4¼	850.00	425.00																						1,275.00
Water Main & Standpipe Loan of 1930 .....	4	240.00	120.00																						360.00
Total .....		\$29,775.00	\$25,965.00	\$22,155.00	\$18,890.00	\$16,785.00	\$14,865.00	\$12,970.00	\$11,737.50	\$10,785.00	\$9,832.50	\$8,880.00	\$7,927.50	\$6,975.00	\$6,022.50	\$5,070.00	\$4,217.50	\$3,465.00	\$2,940.00	\$2,450.00	\$1,960.00	\$1,470.00	\$980.00	\$490.00	\$266,607.50





ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
Sewer Department  
OF THE  
Town of Braintree  
FROM  
December 31, '37 to December 31, '38



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SEWERS

January 3, 1939.

To the Board of Sewer Commissioners  
Town of Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report upon the activities of the Sewer Department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

**Construction:**

All construction work this year was carried out in conjunction with the W.P.A. at a total cost of \$43,043. The Town's share of this cost amounted to \$18,024.

The Marshall Street sewer, which had been started in December of the previous year, was finished early in April. Since then all operations have been carried on in the Town Brook Pumping District.

Sewers were constructed in Church Street from Washington to Pleasant and through the traffic intersection near Capen's Bridge before the Highway Department completed the new street layout in that locality. The Common Street sewer was constructed, together with the 10-inch cast iron force main which will serve a new pumping station which will ultimately be built on the south side of Common Street next to the Town Brook. A main line was extended across the meadows between Common and Centre Streets and completed except for the last 433 feet.

The high ground water conditions along the lower end of Common Street and across the meadows made the excavation very difficult and required the use of wellpoint equipment and pumps in nearly continuous operation.

Detailed cost records have been kept for each street showing the quantity and cost of each item of labor, material and equipment entering into the construction work, and the unit cost of each classified according to the various work operations. These cost records are on file in the Sewer Department office and are available to anyone interested.

In order to construct the main lines between Common and Centre Streets and between Common Street and Storrs Avenue, it was necessary to make seven takings of easements and rights of way, and one land taking in fee for a pumping station site. The surveys and plans of these takings were made by the Sewer Department.

The following is a summary of sewers constructed this year:

**Gravity District:**

Marshall Street—Station 2+23 to Station 6+24..	401'	8" V.C.
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**Town Brook Pumping District:**

Church Street—Washington to Pleasant.....	706'	8" V.C.
Common Street—Town Brook to Station 2+39...	239'	10" V.C.
Common Street—Station 2+39 to Staten.....	781'	8" V.C.
Common Street—Station 2+51 to Washington...	914'	10" C.I.
Independence Avenue—Traffic Circle to Northerly	200'	8" V.C.
Right of Way—Common to Northerly.....	794'	10" V.C.
Traffic Circle—Independence to Washington....	171'	8" V.C.
Traffic Circle—Railroad to Independence.....	117'	8" C.I.
Washington Street—Church to Northerly.....	250'	8" V.C.

Total .....	4,573'
Total 1938 Construction .....	0.87 Miles
Previous Construction .....	17.63 Miles

Total Constructed to Date .....	18.50 Miles
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The sewers in the Town Brook Pumping District will not be available for use until the pumping station is built and put into operation.

It is proposed to continue with W.P.A. construction in the Town Brook Pumping District and complete during 1939 the main line to Centre Street and the main between Common Street and Storrs Avenue and the pumping station sub-structure.

#### House Connections:

The following table shows sewer connection statistics for the five year period since 1934 when the sewers were first put into operation:

Year	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	Totals
Connections . . . . .	84	83	107	120	80	474
Length in Ft. . . . .	3,541	4,523	6,650	6,515	4,145	25,374
Total Cost . . . . .	\$7,021	\$6,809	\$10,860	\$9,524	\$6,422	\$40,636
Average Cost/Ft. . . .	\$1.98	\$1.50	\$1.63	\$1.46	\$1.55	\$1.60
Average Cost/Con- nection . . . . .	\$84.00	\$82.00	\$102.00	\$79.00	\$80.00	\$86.00

A count of the number of possible connections to the present sewer system shows that only 40% have connected. There remain about 725 connections to be made.

The actual cost of each connection is billed to the owner of the property. No advance deposit is required and the cost may be apportioned over a period of ten years. There is no rental charge for the use of the sewer after a connection is made. The Sewer Department is glad to give anyone an estimate of the cost of a sewer connection.

#### Maintenance:

Early in January there was a stoppage in the Tremont Street sewer due to a small root growth. This is the first trouble experienced from tree roots during the five years the sewers have been in operation.

Two of the manholes in the right of way between Pearl and Union Streets were broken into and it was necessary to install two new lock manhole covers.

The cost of electricity to operate the automatic pumping station off Brookside Road, including heating, amounted to \$103.62. Except for one pump clogging several times no mechanical or electrical difficulty was experienced.

The Sewer Department's 1½ ton dump truck was operated a total of 1583 hours at an average cost of \$0.88 per hour. The Department's air compressor was operated a total of 1514 hours at an average cost of \$1.52 per hour. The above rates include the operator, depreciation, insurance and all other charges necessary for operating and maintaining the equipment.

Two per cent discounts taken during the year amounted to \$260.07.

There were 20 sewer assessments levied amounting to \$2,108.43. The total assessment levy is now \$231,633.29. The total sewer assessment collections to date, including interest on apportioned assessments, is \$148,112.79 or 64% of the levy.

#### Drainage Study:

At the annual Town Meeting in March, 1938 a sum of money was appropriated to be used by the Sewer Department in making a drainage study of the Town.

The purpose of the drainage study is twofold. The first step is to obtain an accurate record of the location, size, depth, slope and condition of the existing drains, as at present there is no available record of the location of the greater part of the Town's drains.

The second part of the study is to establish a comprehensive drainage plan for the entire Town, fitting into it as many of the existing drains as is economically practical.

In this way all future drains will be of the proper size and conform to the general drainage plan. It will mean that henceforth money expended for drainage will be used to most efficiently serve the needs of the Town.

During the past year a careful study of existing drains, catch basins and manholes in the Town Brook drainage district has been made. This district is comprised approximately of the area lying between West Street, Washington Street and the Quincy Line. Practically all of the existing catch basins and manholes within this area have been located and opened, their condition noted and their location plotted on black and white prints of the Assessor's block plan rolls at a scale of 1-inch equals 40 feet.

After the severe rain storms in July, the elevations of high water and velocities at the various culverts and bridges from Great Pond to tide water, were recorded for use in future study.

Work will be continued on the Drainage Study during the coming year and pushed to completion if possible.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance from 1938.....	\$ 4,808.12
Refunds .....	161.50
Appropriation .....	15,000.00
Total .....	<u>\$19,969.62</u>

#### Expenditures:

Inspection, Surveying and Plans.....	\$ 3,664.99
Equipment Operators .....	835.50
Labor .....	743.23
Labor Compensation Insurance .....	673.87
Rent Storage Space .....	308.00
Equipment Repair Parts .....	235.85
Equipment Operation Expense .....	380.14
Equipment Rented .....	807.14
New Equipment .....	1,118.60
Small Tools .....	732.54
Tool Sharpening .....	198.50
Registry, Testing, Mileage .....	421.97
Materials .....	<u>7,903.51</u>

Total Construction Expenditures ..... 18,023.84

Unexpended Balance, December 31, 1938..... \$ 1,945.78



## HOUSE CONNECTION ACCOUNT

Appropriation .....	\$10,000.00
Transfer .....	—2,500.00
Refund .....	12.68
Total .....	<u>\$ 7,512.68</u>

## Expenditures:

Labor .....	\$ 3,451.31
Labor Compensation Insurance .....	228.54
Registry of Deeds .....	26.64
Tool Sharpening .....	76.08
Small Tools .....	69.07
Equipment Repair Parts .....	229.84
Equipment Operation Expense .....	464.07
Jute and Jointing Compound .....	74.21
Kerosene .....	80.15
Sand and Gravel .....	215.39
Soil Pipe and Fittings .....	347.34
Vitrified Pipe and Fittings .....	530.68
Street Patching Material .....	307.41
All Other Materials .....	140.83

Total House Connection Expenditures ..... 6,241.56

Unexpended Balance, December 31, 1938 ..... \$ 1,271.12

## MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Appropriation ..... \$10,000.00

## Expenditures:

Superintendent .....	\$ 3,000.00
Clerk .....	936.00
Foreman .....	1,820.00
Labor .....	1,363.90
Labor Compensation Insurance .....	126.06
Rent Storage Space .....	210.00
Office Supplies .....	187.53
Office Expenses .....	78.83
Telephone .....	82.30
Water .....	26.21
Electricity .....	120.05
Maintenance Expenses .....	410.14
Maintenance Materials .....	393.07
Auto Maintenance and Insurance .....	107.09
Compressor Maintenance .....	59.03
Truck Maintenance .....	36.86
Sewer Cleaning and Maintenance Equip- ment .....	811.17
Equipment Repair Parts .....	95.46
Registry of Deeds .....	45.50

Total Maintenance Expenditures ..... \$ 9,909.20

Unexpended Balance, December 31, 1938 ..... \$ 90.80



**DRAINAGE STUDY ACCOUNT**

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,250.00

**Expenditures:**

Labor .....	\$ 187.31
Plans .....	56.02
Expenses .....	5.20

Total Drainage Study Expenditures ..... 248.53

Unexpended Balance, December 31, 1938 ..... \$ 1,001.47

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. BROUSSEAU,  
Superintendent

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Light Department**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**

# BRAINTREE ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

## REPORT OF YEAR 1938

To  
Municipal Electric Light Board,  
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith for your approval is a financial statement of the Braintree Electric Light Department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

### STREET LIGHTING COST

Kw. Hrs. used year 1938—521,460 @ .0153002	
Kw. Hrs. used year 1938 equals .....	\$ 7,978.44
Maintenance Labor .....	1,393.22
Replaced Lamps .....	1,055.05
Material fixtures renewed.....	1,973.41
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Total Cost to Department.....	\$ 12,400.12
Cash received from Town.....	12,000.00
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Net Loss .....	\$ 400.12

### ANALYSIS OF SALES 1938

	Kw. Hrs. Sold	Revenues
Residential .....	6,042,586	\$171,252.25
Industrial .....	8,949,531	117,172.36
Municipal .....	668,476	7,978.60
Street Lighting .....	521,460	12,000.00
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Total Kw. Hrs.....	16,182,053	\$308,403.21

### OPERATING EXPENSES

#### Production:

Superintendence .....	\$19,418.02
Boiler Fuel .....	56,718.73
Water for Steam.....	1,218.92
Lubricants .....	54.16
Station Supplies and Expenses.....	2,987.67
Maintenance of Station Structures.....	1,603.20
Maintenance of Boilers.....	4,503.96
Maintenance of Turbines.....	11,994.40
Maintenance of General Equipment.....	906.73
Maintenance of Accessory Equipment.....	365.83
Electric Energy Purchased.....	18,738.12
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Total ..... \$118,509.74

#### Transmission and Distribution:

Operation of Transmission and Distribution of Lines .....	\$ 7,223.83
Transmission and Distribution Supplies.....	534.94
Testing Meters .....	989.10
Removing and Resetting Meters.....	882.74
Removing and Resetting Transformers.....	245.42
Maintenance of Transformers Station and Sub-station Equipment.....	39.38



Maintenance of Transmission and Distribution of Lines .....	37,150.29
Maintenance of Transformers.....	470.85
Maintenance of Consumers' Meters.....	929.14

Total.....	\$ 48,465.69
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## Utilization:

Operation of Street Lights.....	\$ 958.05
Replacements of Street Lamps.....	1,055.05
Supplies and Maintenance.....	2,408.58

Total.....	\$ 4,421.68
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## General Expense:

Maintenance of Consumers' Installations.....	\$ 9,875.96	\$ 9,875.96
Commercial Salaries .....	15,540.43	15,540.43
Advertising .....	5.00	5.00
Salaries of Municipal Light Board and Manager .....	5,300.00	
Office Salaries .....	3,773.10	
General Office Supplies and Expenses.....	2,942.76	
Insurance .....	3,718.13	
Transportation .....	462.27	
Maintenance of General Structures.....	65.90	
Depreciation .....	34,353.71	
Miscl. General Expense.....	155.08	

Total.....	\$ 50,770.95
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Grand Total of Operating Expenses.....	\$247,589.45
Book Value of All Property.....	\$890,263.99

## PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

January 1, 1938, Balance.....	\$836,435.28
Transferred from Income .....	60,430.22

Balance December 31, 1938.....	\$ 896,865.50
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## INCOME STATEMENT

Operating Revenue .....	\$308,403.21
Operating Expenses .....	247,589.45

Manufacturing Surplus .....	\$ 60,813.76
Miscellaneous Deductions .....	383.54

Transferred to Profit & Loss Account.....	\$ 60,430.22
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## COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

Plant Investment .....	\$890,263.99
Cash Operating Fund.....	3,573.26
Special Deposits .....	2,661.49
Accounts Receivable .....	41,856.44
Materials and Supplies.....	23,971.70
Depreciation Fund .....	109,168.64
Prepaid Insurance .....	7,200.21

Total Assets .....	\$1,078,695.73
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Accounts Payable .....	.00	
Consumers' Deposits .....	2,661.49	
Loans Repayments .....	133,000.00	
Appropriations for Construction Repayment....	46,168.74	
Profit & Loss.....	896,865.50	
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Total Liabilities .....		\$1,078,695.73

### ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Braintree .....	\$ 7,680.47	
East Braintree .....	5,127.11	
South Braintree .....	11,949.61	
Contracts .....	15,818.41	
Municipal .....	1,280.84	
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Total.....		\$ 41,856.44

### DEPRECIATION ACCOUNT

January 1, 1938, Balance.....	\$121,985.98	
Net Transfer from Income.....	34,353.71	
Interest .....	507.10	
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	\$156,846.79	
Expended for Construction Purposes.....	47,678.15	
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Balance December 31, 1938.....		\$ 109,168.64
Cash Received as per Cashbook.....		325,866.91
Paid to Town Treasurer.....		325,866.91
Accounts Payable Balance.....		.00
Operation Fund Balance, December 31, 1938.....		3,573.26

### MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

JOHN W. HARDING, Town Treasurer

#### Debit:

Balance, January 1, 1938.....	\$ 15,143.84	
Fred B. Lawrence, Manager.....	325,866.91	
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		\$ 341,010.75

#### Credit:

Paid by Orders of Commissioners.....	\$337,437.49	
Balance, December 31, 1938.....	3,573.26	
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		\$ 341,010.75

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Thayer Public Library**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**



## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Braintree, Massachusetts

January 26, 1939.

To the Citizens of Braintree:

In behalf of the Board of Trustees I submit the following annual report for the year 1938 in reference to the Thayer Public Library and its branches.

The Trustees are glad to announce that during 1938 there has been an increase of 16,597 in the total circulation of our books. In 1937 our annual circulation was 154,068; in 1938, 170,665. This increase in circulation is distributed as follows: In the Thayer Public Library, 5,057; in the Braintree Branch, 2,230; in the East Braintree Branch, 6,410. On September 1, 1938, the Trustees opened a modest new library branch at Braintree Highlands. During the four months of operation there has been a circulation of 2,903 books.

The total circulation of our books is made up as follows: Thayer Public Library, 90,106; the Braintree Branch, 39,398; the East Braintree Branch, 38,261; and in the Highlands Branch, as before stated, 2,903.

It may be interesting to note that of our total circulation of 170,665, 44,016 were adult non-fiction books; 88,948, adult fiction books; and 37,701, children's books. The relative percentages in this classification are 25.8% adult non-fiction, 52.1% adult fiction, and 22.1% children's books. The Board notes with interest the marked increase in circulation in the adult non-fiction group. Last year the circulation of books in this group was less than 29,000.

This increase in our circulation of books is relatively high when compared with the circulation for a similar period in the other towns of our Group II classification.

The Board feels that this large circulation of books is due largely to the able, untiring service, and the invariably cheerful rendering of it, by Miss Holbrook and her Library staff. The librarian and her staff are exceptionally competent in reference book work. Moreover, the suggestions they are constantly giving our readers concerning new and worthwhile books and magazine articles are most helpful and constructive.

Our circulation has also been stimulated by the interesting weekly announcements Miss Hall has made in the Quincy Ledger and the Braintree Observer concerning new books added to our Library of special interest to adults. Once a month Mrs. Blackburn has made a similar announcement concerning new books for children.

In connection with our circulation the Trustees would call attention to the fine collection of pictures, now numbering over 6,000, that have during the past few years been cut out and mounted by our Library staff. These pictures reveal in a most vivid way the life and scenery of the various countries of the world. They are in great demand in our schools, and also in Sunday School classes. This past year 3,000 such pictures were distributed for use among the school children of the Town.

The Trustees are proud of the high morale of the library staff. They are constantly on the alert to improve the quality of their service. Four of the staff this past year have been doing valuable extra work in enriching their background, one by selected courses in Simmons

College, another by courses in Art and History in the Boston University College of Liberal Arts, and two by taking Professor Rogers' series of lectures on important new books. This bears witness to the earnest desire of our staff for constant self-improvement.

On January 1, 1938, our Library and its branches had a total of 35,686 volumes. During the year 2,386 new books were added, and 514 withdrawn from circulation because of old age; so our total number of volumes as of December 31, 1938, is 37,558, the largest number in the history of the Library.

Last year the Thayer Public Library subscribed to 3 newspapers and 96 different periodicals.

During the year 1938 we had 6,375 registered borrowers, and 197 non-resident borrowers.

Braintree, as I commented last year in my report, is in the Class II division, comprising towns and cities in the Commonwealth ranging in population between 10,000 and 25,000. I might add that no town last year in this Class had a population exceeding 19,000.

In order to qualify for good standing in Class II, a town library should meet four of the following requirements, two of which should be the starred items given in this summary:

- A. STAFF: The librarian and assistants needed to meet the demands of the service (on the basis of one full-time assistant for every 20,000 to 25,000 books circulated).
- B. BUDGET: \$1.00 per capita, minimum.
- \*C. BOOK CIRCULATION: 7 per capita, minimum.
- D. REGISTERED BORROWERS: 40% of population.
- \*E. HOURS OPEN: 48 up.
- F. COMPENSATION OF LIBRARIAN: (\$2,100 to \$2,700).

#### ITEMS C and E

In the two starred items of qualifications Braintree is well above the minimum requirements but still far below a position of leadership.

Our book circulation is now 10 per capita; 7 per capita is the minimum requirement. Of the 14 towns in Class II, Braintree in Item C has a rank of fifth.

The minimum requirement for library service to the public, as indicated in Item E, is 48 hours a week. Four years ago the Braintree Library was, as I recall, the lowest in the list of towns in Class II. The Thayer Public Library is now open 57 hours a week. This is a noteworthy gain, but the Town should realize that even now Braintree stands only ninth among the fourteen towns in Class II. The Greenfield Library is open 76 hours a week, Newburyport 74, Wellesley and Westfield 72, Norwood and Winchester 66, Milton 61, and West Springfield 60.

#### ITEM D. REGISTERED BORROWERS

Item D demands 40% of the population as a minimum requirement for registered borrowers. On the basis of our population last year of 17,122 our registered borrowers should have been, in order to meet the minimum requirement, 6,849. The number of registered borrowers was 6,572. This places us slightly below the requirement of Class II in Item D. It is the hope of our Board that the number of our registered borrowers in 1939 will pass the minimum requirement.



## ITEM A. THE STAFF

It Item A the Thayer Library and its branches fall far short of the minimum requirement. The requirement demands one full-time assistant for every 20,000 to 25,000 books circulated.

On this basis, with Braintree's circulation of 170,665 last year, the number of full-time assistants should have been 7. At the present time our library system has three full-time assistants and five part-time assistants working 30, 22, 20, 15, and 6 hours respectively. This total of 93 hours is no more than equivalent to two and one-third full-time assistants, for the time service of a full-time assistant is 40 hours a week. It is evident that we are almost 2 full-time assistants short of the number required to maintain adequate library service. This should give us real concern to the end that the situation be remedied as soon as possible.

## ITEM F. COMPENSATION OF LIBRARIAN

We are still \$100 below the minimum salary recommended and \$700 below the maximum salary recommended for our librarian. After years of faithful and highly competent library service given the Town of Braintree at a salary we are ashamed to mention, our librarian has at last been raised to a salary \$100 below the minimum requirement. The Trustees should, in justice, during the next four years make every effort to advance our librarian's salary by yearly increments of increase to a maximum of \$2500. This would be \$200 below the maximum salary recommended for towns of our class.

## ITEM B. BUDGET

Braintree does not measure up in this item to the minimum requirement. The budget is estimated in the standard qualifications on the basis of \$1.00 per capita. On the basis of our population last year of 17,122 our budget should have been \$17,122. What the Town actually appropriated was \$15,425. Had we had for use the \$1,700 that the Board was entitled to, in order to make up the minimum requirement of the budget, we could have brought Item A—Staff, Item B—Budget, and Item F—Compensation of Librarian, up to the minimum requirement. We should strive to realize this during the next two years.

In closing this annual report the Trustees feel it their duty to stress to the utmost the utter inadequacy of the Thayer Public Library to meet modern day conditions. As I commented last year, the delivery desk is not properly located to supervise the reading rooms, the shelves of books, and the entrance. The librarian's quarters are crowded to the utmost and subject to constant interruptions. The book stacks are crowded beyond capacity, and there is no possible opportunity for expansion in the present building. The storage of books in the basement is lamentable, and the mending of books, a library enterprise that concerns human beings, in a part of the room used for the storage of coal, is even more deplorable.

Then, too, there is the fire hazard due to wooden floor construction.

Mrs. William F. Rogers of our Board of Trustees has set before us in a single sentence what should be the goal of our endeavor: "The



idea of an adequate modern building must be planted in the minds of our citizens NOW."

It is manifestly our duty as Trustees of the Public Library to impress this imperative need upon our fellow citizens with greater and greater urgency until positive action results.

Respectfully submitted,

STACY B. SOUTHWORTH, Chairman,  
ALBERT E. AVERY,  
JOHN W. HARDING,  
MABEL S. ROGERS,  
CLARA G. WETHERBEE,  
Trustees of Thayer Public Library.

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## FUNDS AND ASSETS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

As at December 31, 1938

### FOUNDATION FUND

#### Principal Account:

\$500 U. S. Treasury 3 ¼ % Note .....	\$ 500.00
Deposit, Quincy Savings Bank .....	1,000.00
Deposit, Weymouth Savings Bank .....	2,520.91
Deposit, Abington Savings Bank .....	1,000.00
Deposit, Hingham Savings Bank .....	1,000.00
Deposit, Braintree Savings Bank .....	5,000.00
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	\$11,020.91

### CALEB STETSON FUND

#### Principal Account:

Deposit, Quincy Savings Bank .....	\$1,000.00
Deposit, Braintree Savings Bank .....	1,500.00
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	\$2,500.00

### RACHEL R. THAYER FUND

#### Principal Account:

Deposit, Home Savings Bank, Boston .....	\$ 172.50
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	\$ 172.50

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

For the Year Ended December 31, 1938

## Receipts:

Cash on Deposit, January 1, 1938.....	\$2,230.05
Income from Foundation Fund .....	303.33
Income from Caleb Stetson Fund.....	62.49
Income from Rachel R. Thayer Fund.....	3.44
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	\$2,599.31

## Expenditures:

Books .....	\$ 62.49
Rent Safe Deposit Box .....	5.50
Treasurer's Surety Bond .....	5.00
Printing, Postage & Supplies .....	46.22
Maintenance & Repairs .....	443.11
Iron Step Rails .....	228.00
Cash on Deposit, Dec. 31, 1938.....	1,808.99
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	\$2,599.31

# NATHANIEL H. HUNT TRUST INCOME ACCOUNT

## Income:

Cash on Deposit, January 1, 1938.....	\$1,538.46
Income received for year 1938.....	522.65
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	\$2,061.11

## Expenditures:

Books and Papers .....	\$ 929.70
Cash on deposit, Dec. 31, 1938.....	1,131.41
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	\$2,061.11

## TREE WARDEN'S REPORT — 1938

To the Citizens of the Town of Braintree, Massachusetts.

I hereby respectfully submit the report of the Tree Department for the year 1938; Appropriated and expended for care and removal of dead and dangerous trees and limbs on the following streets, Tremont, Commercial, Middle, Franklin, Shaw, Hollingsworth, Adams and Washington—the sum of (\$300.00) Three Hundred Dollars.

The recent hurricane wrought terrific havoc upon our beautiful shade trees. Many were torn up by the roots, others twisted beyond recovery and practically every tree left standing was so injured that bracing and pruning work was absolutely necessary to preserve its life and beauty. Your Tree Department worked diligently and unceasingly to clear up the wreckage of our trees from the streets. A veritable army of men and trucks efficiently operated to make the storm damage seem to melt away so that within 24 hours of the storm all streets were passable and within a week all of the most hazardous conditions were eliminated. Simultaneously with this action your Tree Warden and Selectmen sponsored an emergency W.P.A. project which through special dispensation was permitted to go through within 10 days. This gave the Town the majority of labor for the work and conserved the Chapter 500 funds for materials and equipments.

At the same time a long term W.P.A. project was instigated by your Tree Warden and Selectmen to take care of the tremendous amount of work needed by the trees previous to the storm and multiplied a thousandfold by the storm. This project started on completion of the special emergency project, using available money in said Chapter 500 fund but will need to be supplemented by further money in the 1939 town appropriation. One of the outstanding features of the present project is the fact that the Town of Braintree is to receive as a Federal contribution some 500 much needed shade trees. Your Tree Warden is proud to report his success in obtaining this special concession for the town from the Federal Government.

Through the splendid co-operation of the Selectmen, the Town Accountant and later the W.P.A. Coordinator, your department has been able to give you a tremendous service without one cent burden on your tax rate. This chiefly through the Emergency Fund from the State allocated to Braintree under Chapter 500.

Through the combined sources as outlined above your Tree Warden has obtained about Twenty Thousand Dollars' worth of rehabilitation work on your storm damaged trees without adding one cent to your tax rate. Furthermore, he has given his undivided time and attention to the work, being personally on the job all day and every day on which the crews are working. A tremendous amount of work still lies ahead which demands the continued supervision of one who is capable and trained in the proper care of your trees and who has the ability and courage to see that your trees are carefully and properly cared for under this new W.P.A. project that will benefit our trees with over \$40,000.00 worth more of Federal funds.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE R. BESTICK,

Tree Warden.



## REPORT OF SOLDIERS' RELIEF DEPARTMENT

1937		1938	
January .....	\$ 829.31	January .....	\$ 3,286.83
February .....	1,565.40	February .....	2,955.12
March .....	1,445.98	March .....	2,576.67
April .....	2,623.76	April .....	1,675.95
May .....	1,633.81	May .....	1,329.82
June .....	1,123.94	June .....	1,482.32
July .....	1,481.03	July .....	1,303.37
August .....	1,798.97	August .....	1,488.89
September .....	1,536.23	September .....	1,622.44
October .....	1,108.94	October .....	1,470.20
November .....	1,959.00	November .....	1,801.43
December .....	3,941.54	December .....	2,223.12
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\$21,046.91		\$23,216.16	

Above are the figures for 1937 and 1938 for bills contracted during the twelve (12) months of each year. In the year of 1937 the Soldiers' Relief Department spent \$21,046.91, of which \$7,046.91 was an over-draft.

In the year 1938, \$22,850.00 was appropriated. Of this amount \$4,000.00 was appropriated at the special town meeting in October, 1938. This \$4,000.00 would have been unnecessary but for the fact that in the first two and one half months of the year 1938 approximately \$7,500.00 was spent by the previous administration.

We have endeavored to keep within the Budget, but owing to considerable sickness which has been prevalent in the town, we have exceeded our budget by approximately \$400.00. Since taking office, March 14, 1938, no bills of any kind have been contracted or paid without a written authorization by the Soldiers' Relief Agent. It was the practice in the past for recipients to go to various drug stores and doctors, etc., and charge everything to Soldiers' Relief. This practice has been stopped and no bills from drug stores, and doctors are honored unless first authorized by this department. We take a 2% discount on all bills rendered from stores. All physicians in town have given special rates to the Soldiers' Relief Recipients, who are in need of medical attention.

The recipients vary between 50 and 60 cases and between 200 and 240 persons. All bills are paid one week from date rendered. We have endeavored to proportionate the business evenly among the stores and professional men in town, and all the merchants and professional men have been ready to co-operate fully with us.

The veterans are growing older and while a number of them are employed on W.P.A., this only pays them \$13.13 a week, to spend on themselves and their families. There are several Civil and Spanish War veterans on Soldiers' Relief, the majority, however, are World War Veterans, their widows and children.

I have endeavored to be fair and impartial to all who apply to the Soldiers' Relief and believe that, with the exception of some who would complain regardless of how much they receive, we have been successful in this end.

This department has been free from any political interference of any kind.

**MILITARY AID.** \$1,690.00 was appropriated for Military Aid of which \$1,530.00 was spent. Of this amount the State reimburses the Town one-half.

**BURIAL AND STATE AID.** \$520.00 was appropriated for Burial and State Aid of which \$330.00 was spent, this amount being reimbursed in full to the Town by the State.

SYDNEY WEST,  
Soldiers' Relief Agent.

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE REPORT OF SUPERVISOR

Old Age Assistance is one item in the Town Budget that is bound to increase with each succeeding year for a number of years to come. Since September 1, 1936, when the age limit was reduced from 70 to 65 years, the number of recipients has almost doubled. At the beginning of the year 1938 there were 261 recipients on the payroll in Braintree. At the end of the year there were 301—a net increase of 40.

Following are the Old Age Assistance figures for the years 1935, 1936, 1937, and 1938. They include the estimated cost by the department, the amount appropriated, the expenditure for the year and the amount overspent. These are Town figures—they include the State's share but they do not include the amounts received monthly from the Federal government, which brought the total cost well over \$100,000 in 1938.

Year	Estimate	Appropriated	Expended	Overspent
1935.....	\$39,880.00	\$38,000.00	\$44,033.37	\$ 6,033.37
1936.....	47,000.00	45,000.00	49,000.35	5,000.35
1937.....	54,000.00	47,545.00	59,418.00	12,073.57
1938.....	71,358.78	72,500.00	67,193.04	(\$5,306.94 unexpended)

When the present administration took charge of this department on April 1, 1938, the monthly cost of medical services and medicines in Braintree was among the highest in the State. Through the cooperation of our local physicians the cost is now one-third of the amount which was being spent under the preceding administration. The bills for medicines and medical supplies have been reduced about 25%. The savings in these two items amounted to thousands of dollars and the result has been accomplished without anyone being deprived of needed medical services.

During the year we have collected \$6,881.05 from other towns and cities, a large part of which had been allowed to pass the statute of limitations through failure of the previous administration to follow up the billings with the correspondence and personal calls necessary to obtain settlements. We paid other cities and towns \$1,569.58 on Old Age cases, and we are now protecting the Town on all payments due us for Old Age Assistance given to recipients whose place of settlement is in these outside towns and cities.

In 1937 there was a steady increase in our monthly cost per case of Old Age Assistance until this cost per case in Braintree was the second highest in the state. Our costs have been reduced over \$1,000.00 a month under the present administration.

Here is the 1938 record of cases, complete costs, and medical services by months. You may note the decreasing costs of medical services and medicines, beginning April 1st, bearing in mind that the number of cases increased materially, and that a considerable portion of the medical bills paid in April and May were contracted by the previous administration during the first three months of 1938.



Number of Cases	Total Cost	Doctors' Bills	Med. Supplies
January .....261	\$9,066.57	\$ 853.00	\$183.17
February .....268	9,261.41	899.00	211.19
March .....273	9,461.12	1,182.00	168.99
April .....276	8,913.72	468.50	150.24
May .....276	8,963.34	410.00	143.64
June .....276	8,829.74	347.00	107.24
July .....271	8,539.93	159.00	107.60
August .....278	8,588.36	181.00	116.60
September .....283	8,981.37	258.00	151.16
October .....289	9,164.58	264.50	138.56
November .....299	9,446.54	287.00	151.16
December .....301	9,461.44	207.00	184.94

At a Special Town Meeting held on October 10, 1938, the Bureau of Old Age Assistance asked for an additional appropriation of \$7,500 on account of unnecessary spending during the first three months of the year, to take care of the large increase in the number of recipients and to insure against an overdraft at the end of the year, in the event that the monthly Federal grant, due the latter part of December, failed to arrive until after December 31st. This grant came through on time and \$5,306.96 of the amount appropriated was saved and returned to the Town.

Every consideration is being given to those on Old Age Assistance and we have helped many a family out of distressful situations. The Supervisor and Investigator have both run their own cars as the Town failed to provide cars for their use—a situation that should be remedied at the 1939 Town Meeting, as both men are obliged to spend the greater part of their time in calls upon Old Age recipients throughout the Town.

In conclusion, let me say again that the number of recipients of Old Age Assistance will increase year by year for a number of years to come and the trend of legislative thought is to increase rather than decrease the amount of payments. Due to the large increase in the number of those receiving assistance and the fact that the W.P.A is no longer giving employment to men and women over 65 years of age, the amount asked for Old Age Assistance in 1939 will exceed the figure for 1938.

Not only is the W.P.A. not employing those over 65 years of age, but on December 13, 1938, it informed our department that it had notified twenty men over 65 years of age who were on the W.P.A. rolls in Braintree to apply immediately for Old Age Assistance as they were to be dropped from the W.P.A. Should this policy be carried out it would mean an increase of about \$9,000 a year in the cost of assistance for this group alone and inasmuch as their W.P.A. earnings are about twice as much as we could give them on Old Age Assistance our Welfare Department will be called upon to make up most of the difference to take care of the families of these men, thus putting a larger share of assistance upon the Town.



Statistics show that since 1900 the proportionate percentage of old folks has been increasing year by year while there has been a steady percentage decrease in the number of people under fifty years of age. Better living conditions, and more advanced medical treatment in homes and hospitals is prolonging life—while higher living costs and lowered remuneration in most lines of activity have tended to lower the birth-rate. Just so long as such conditions remain and the trend toward more liberal provision for old age continues—larger expenditures on the part of the Town will be necessary each year and will add to the tax rate. Having passed laws to remove the fear of old age poverty and dependence—we must assume the growing costs of such assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE,

ALBERT L. RICE,

Supervisor.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT  
TOWN OF BRAINTREE

January 25, 1939.

Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall  
South Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Plain Street Cemetery, for the year ending, December 31, 1938.

There were fourteen burials: nine adults, three minors, two still-born, and one removal. On these burials I saved the Town of Braintree, sixty-three dollars (\$63.00) over expenses which went into the E. & D. Fund.

Eleven graves that had caved in from settling were filled with loam, regraded, and seeded. Several moss covered lots were raked, limed, loamed, and seeded. Broken up tarvia walks, tarvia removed and replaced with stone dust. All shrubbery trimmed and edged around base.

I received many compliments how well the cemetery looked the past year.

Through the co-operation of Mr. Henry Higgins, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and Mr. Henry Storm, Secretary of the Finance Committee, was able to put through a \$17,000.00 W.P.A. Project to build a stone wall surrounding cemetery from Plain Street to Plain Street, which will make good available lots and add to the appearance of the cemetery. This was approved by the Federal Government as a worthy project.

In closing, I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Mr. Fred Lawley, Welfare Director, and Mr. John Wentworth, Superintendent of Streets, for the co-operation they have given me.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT F. STACKHOUSE,  
Superintendent of the Plain Street Cemetery.

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

**Planning Board**

**OF THE**

**Town of Braintree**

**FROM**

**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**



## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board presents its report for the year 1938.

### MUNICIPAL PLANNING

Your Board recommends your further consideration of the new Planning Board Act, referred to in its annual report for 1937 and discussed briefly at the 1937 Annual Town Meeting. At this time it does not seem desirable to consider the whole act but only those sections, 81F to 81J, inclusive. These sections cover subdivision development, contain no zoning or other features which would cause increased expense to the town or private parties. They provide rules and regulations requiring new sub-division developments where the construction of a street or streets becomes necessary to conform to existing public ways and public utilities. A plot of the proposed sub-division is required to be submitted to the Board of Survey for their approval or disapproval. Full details may be found in General Laws, Acts of 1936, Chapter 211.

### ZONING

Your Board gave some brief consideration to the question of some form of modified or partial zoning, but in view of the many problems confronting the Town, thought it desirable to make no recommendations.

### COMPREHENSIVE TOWN PLAN

Your Board reviewed during the past year the work already done in previous years, and acting with a consultant, considered problems associated with bringing existing plans up to date as well as extending the existing work towards completion. Further study will be required by the Board before recommendations can be made.

### HAZARDOUS INTERSECTIONS

Your Board while favoring a study of this problem is not prepared at this time to make any further recommendations.

### NEW FIRE STATION SITE

Your Board renews its recommendations of other years that when financial conditions permit it that the Town Fire Department replace its present inadequate and poorly located building in the East Section with a suitable new station to be erected on the Adams Street Playground at the junction of Adams and Commercial Streets.

### NEW LIBRARY SITE

Your Board in its 1937 Report called attention to the necessity of some provisions for improved and enlarged library facilities. It recommends the acquisition by the Town when financial conditions might permit it, a substantial section of the French estate opposite the Town

Hall for the new site as well as future Town needs and to round out a possible Civic Center development. These recommendations are renewed.

#### ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROPERTY

Your Board has this past year given some consideration to the future growth of the Town and the need for additional lands for playgrounds, recreation and park purposes. It has therefore prepared a general plan showing all Town owned properties including those taken under the Tax Title Act. This map is available for use at the Town Engineer's office. This Board will recommend the retention by the Town of such properties as will serve the best public interests of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. ROSE, Chairman

JAMES F. BRITTAIN, Secretary

JOHN F. CLINTON

JOSEPH W. PARKER

FRANK L. HEANEY

JOHN J. DRINKWATER, Town Engineer.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTIONS — Year Ending December 31, 1938

	Commitments	Cash	Abatements	Added to Tax Title	Tax Title Takings	Credits by Statute	Journal Entry & Returns for Appor- tionment	January 1, 1939 Balance	% of Original Commit- ment
LEVY OF 1938									
Real Estate Taxes.....	\$916,847.94	\$637,654.36	\$ 12,454.71	\$ 20,260.28				\$246,478.59	
Sewer Assessments .....	12,963.85	7,036.06		839.50				5,088.29	
Sewer Connection Assessments.....	999.09	613.54		14.00				371.55	
Street Betterment Assessments.....	1,708.40	1,031.40		43.00				634.00	
Sewer Committed Interest.....	5,267.49	2,790.29	11.27	338.06				2,127.87	
Other Committed Interest .....	810.74	496.99	2.06	14.52				297.17	
Personal Property Taxes.....	32,181.72	27,102.47	1,236.90					3,842.35	
Motor Vehicle Excise.....	40,749.83	38,310.09	1,668.03					771.71	
Poll Taxes .....	10,430.00	9,653.50	496.50					280.00	
	\$1,021,959.06	\$724,688.70	\$ 15,869.47	\$ 21,509.36				\$259,891.53	25%
LEVY OF 1937									
Real Estate Taxes.....	\$ 220,897.45	\$166,028.56	\$ 962.48	\$ 7,395.58	\$ 91.84			\$ 46,418.99	
Sewer Assessments .....	4,956.13	3,658.88		157.30	5.00			1,134.95	
Sewer Connection Assessments.....	339.07	266.23		7.40				65.44	
Street Betterment Assessments.....	719.80	643.30		25.00				51.50	
Committed Interest .....	2,689.58	2,057.71		88.20	1.80			541.87	
Personal Property Taxes .....	2,978.38	2,455.96	86.92			\$ 16.40		419.10	
Motor Vehicle Excise .....	7,112.90	6,214.20	585.42			21.47		291.81	
Poll Taxes .....	699.00	546.00	119.00					34.00	
	\$ 240,392.31	\$181,870.84	\$ 1,753.82	\$ 7,673.48	\$ 98.64	\$ 37.87		\$ 48,957.66	5%
LEVY OF 1936									
Real Estate Taxes.....	\$ 47,906.03	\$ 39,486.99	\$ 381.87		\$8,037.17				
Sewer Assessments .....	1,097.74	867.00		\$ 5.00 Cr.	235.74				
Street Betterment Assessments.....	130.00	105.00			25.00				
Moth Assessments .....	36.75	34.25	2.50						
Committed Interest .....	559.44	459.45		2.10 Cr.	102.09				
Motor Vehicle Excise .....	295.09	206.98	72.09			\$ 16.02			
Personal Property Taxes.....	318.45	264.49	11.41			44.95			
Poll Taxes .....	52.00	36.00	16.00				2.40 Cr.		
	\$ 50,395.50	\$ 41,460.16	\$ 483.87	\$ 7.10 Cr.	\$8,400.00	\$ 60.97	\$ 2.40 Cr.		
Unapportioned Sewer Assessments....	\$ 15,965.57	\$ 2,850.26	\$ 149.24				\$ 11,152.81	\$ 1,813.26	
Unapportioned Sewer Connection.....	12,648.92	4,108.80					4,980.09	3,560.03	
Advanced Apportioned Assessments:									
Sewer .....	2,099.00	1,866.00	233.00						
Sewer Connection .....	243.00	243.00							
Street Betterment .....	158.00	104.00	54.00						
	\$ 31,114.49	\$ 9,172.06	\$ 436.24				\$ 16,132.90	\$ 5,373.29	
Grand Total .....	\$1,343,861.36	\$957,191.76	\$ 18,543.40	\$ 29,175.74	\$8,498.64	\$ 98.84	\$ 16,130.50	\$314,222.48	
Miscellaneous Income:									
Interest .....		\$ 8,808.07							
Accounts Previously Abated.....		2.00							
Fees .....		391.30							
Tax Information .....		103.00							
		\$ 9,304.37							

GEORGE H. GERRIOR, JR.,  
Tax Collector.



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Highway Department**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit to you my report as Superintendent of the Highway Department for the period since my appointment on March 8th, 1938. At that time I was instructed by the chairman, Mr. Higgins, to take full and complete charge of the department, that it was the desire of the Selectmen to have the department run as efficiently and as economically as possible.

I found the personnel to be excessive, the weekly payroll being \$677.40 for twenty-three permanent employees, exclusive of the superintendent. Twelve men were discharged and the positions that had to be refilled were given to former employees, men with eight to twelve years' experience, who had lost their jobs the year previous through no fault of their own, but merely to make room for political appointments. The present personnel consists of fourteen permanent men at a weekly payroll of \$462, also three temporary men who work on an hourly basis at 50c per hour, when needed.

Next came the calling for bids on the various materials to be used during the year, such as: asphalt materials, gasoline, coal, fuel oil, sand, gravel, cement, pipe, etc. It may seem to some of the taxpayers and citizens that the town should not buy gravel when we have a pit of our own, but this was done to save money. We had a contract with the State Department of Public Works to supply approximately 10,000 cubic yards of gravel for the Church and Center Street project at a unit price of 55c per cubic yard in place. Therefore, money could be saved if we could get a reasonable price from an independent contractor. This we did, the Crystal Concrete Corporation bidding 43c per cubic yard delivered, when and where needed in Braintree. Furthermore, if we supplied the gravel from our own pit (which, by the way, is located on Oak Street, Randolph, 4.5 miles from the project using the largest quantity), our repairs to equipment would have been increased tremendously, as Highway trucks would have been on a continuous haul from Randolph. We would also have had to hire trucks to carry on our regular maintenance work.

Another substantial saving was made in the purchase of sand. In 1937, 60c per ton was paid to the Crystal Concrete Corporation. Since April 1938, 37½ per ton has been paid to the same concern.

We found that No. 2 fuel oil was adaptable for our burner at the Highway barn instead of No. 1 fuel oil, which reduced oil cost approximately 2c per gallon.

500 gallons of 100% Penn oil were purchased at 30c per gallon. In 1937, 57c per gallon was paid for the same oil.

I might state that all Highway supplies have been purchased at the lowest possible figure. After consulting several dealers on prices, quality, etc., the order was given to the dealer with the lowest quotation.

### GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Shortly after our annual town meeting in March, our usual spring cleaning was started with approximately thirty men, of whom fifteen were picked from the welfare rolls to help reduce expenditures in this department. Upon being hired, these men were requested to apply at the W.P.A. office to register for employment. As soon as they received notice to report on a W.P.A. project they were dis-

missed by the Highway Department and put on the W.P.A. In this manner we were able to reduce the welfare burden and also give help to the individuals who were not eligible for W.P.A.

Our patching was at first general throughout the entire town, repairing the worst places in advance of the thorough patching which took place later.

Our next operation was to make a general survey of the town to locate the streets which must or should be tarvia treated in order to save an expensive repair job the following year.

We have listed on the two following pages, streets tarred in 1938 showing linear feet, amount of tarvia and the cost for same; also a list of streets tarred in 1937 for comparison:

### STREETS TARRED YEAR 1938

	Lin. Ft.
Arbutus Ave.—Standish to Wildwood.....	800
Brewster St. ....	2,100
South St. ....	900
Wildwood—500 ft. School—West to C Basin.....	600
Standish St. ....	1,700
Plymouth St. ....	550
Liberty St.—Division to 300 ft. North of Plain St.....	14,000
Peach St. ....	3,500
Pearl St.—Liberty to Dwyer's Pit.....	1,800
Crawford St. ....	750
Colbert Ave. ....	200
West St.—South Weymouth Line ....	700
Pond St.—Glendale to Farm River Bridge.....	1,900
Town St. ....	3,000
Holbrook Ave. ....	700
Jefferson St.—Highland Ave. to Top of Hill 600 ft.....	800
Highland Ave.—Hancock to Jefferson St.....	800
Plain St.—Liberty to end of screened gravel rd.....	800
Hobart Ave. ....	2,350
Lakeview Ave. ....	1,000
Sumner Ave. ....	750
Summer St. ....	200
Hollingsworth Ave. ....	2,500
Academy St. ....	2,100
Weston Ave. ....	1,700
Safford St. ....	850
Sampson Ave. ....	600
Sherbrook Ave. ....	1,150
Robinson Ave. ....	950
Oak St. ....	1,800
Walnut Ave.—West to Hollis Ave.—Storrs to Park Side.....	1,100
Ellsmore Ter. ....	750
Colby Rd. ....	1,500
Storrs Ave. ....	2,000
Clark St. ....	350
Wyman Rd. ....	1,200
Wilmarth Rd. ....	475
Webster Rd. ....	750
Myrtle St. ....	700
Vine St. ....	500
Spruce St. ....	500
West St.—from Route 128 to Randolph Line.....	4,500
River St. Ext. ....	850



	Lin. Ft.
River St.—R.R. Crossing to Washington.....	800
Lemoyne St. ....	650
Wilson Ave. ....	350
Hawthorne Rd.—Home Park to Washington.....	1,000
Pleasant St. ....	950
Fairfield St. ....	1,200
Lowell St. ....	500
Charles St. ....	500
Park St. ....	1,250
Vinton Ave. ....	200
Town Hall—Parking Area ....	900
Elm St.—Adams to Commercial.....	3,200
Drinkwater Ave. ....	500
Commercial St.—Adams to Quincy Line.....	5,300
Wilkins Rd. ....	800
Dobson Rd. ....	1,800
Howard St.—to Quincy Line ....	2,700
Hayward St.—Howard to Shaw ....	1,200
Shaw St.—Hayward to Howard ....	1,500
Dewey Rd. ....	1,000
Cotton Ave. ....	1,550
Shepard Ave. ....	1,600
Beechwood—Argyle to Waterfront ....	1,200
Arthur St.—Arborway to Edgehill ....	800
Vindale—Arborway to Pleasantview Ave. ....	800
Faxon St. ....	1,000
Middle St.—Liberty North 1000 ft. ....	1,000
Washington St.—Elm to Cherry.....	1,800
Independence Ave.—Washington to Holmes.....	1,150
School St.—Washington to President Rd.....	250
Middle St.—Harrison Ave. South ....	2,600
Arnold St.—Middle St. to end.....	1,200
Walnut St.—Prop. Storrs Ave. to Park Drive.....	500
Newton St.—Newton Ave. to Bickford.....	250
Newton Ave.—Shaw to end of acceptance.....	400
Bickford Rd.—West end ....	300
Adolph Rd.—Commercial St. to end.....	250
Holden Rd.—Commercial St. to end.....	300
Roberts St.—Elmlawn to Quincy Line.....	300
Hobart St.—Front to Oakland St.....	1,250
Oakland St.—Prospect to end of tar pavement.....	250
Trefton Drive—Quincy Ave. to end of tar pavement.....	1,600
Pleasantview Ave.—Quincy Ave. to stone road.....	600
Total feet tarred .....	113,975

For the above work, 55,517 gals. of tar were used at the cost of \$6,011.22.

We are listing the tarring done in 1937 for comparison:

	Lin. Ft.
Wildwood Ave. ....	3,650
Crescent Ave. ....	500
Jefferson St. ....	3,400
Cleveland Ave. ....	2,700
Front St. ....	1,650
Central Ave. ....	1,600
Jersey Ave. ....	750
Shaw St.—Mill Lane to Howard St.....	4,200
Howard St.—Shaw St. to Quincy Line.....	1,450
West St.—Washington St. to Walnut St.....	2,150
Hawthorne Rd.—Thorndike to Washington St.....	1,250

	Lin. Ft.
Thorndike St. ....	300
Hunt Ave. ....	700
Allen St. ....	850
Elmlawn Rd. ....	3,075
Bower Rd. ....	800
Morrison Rd. ....	700
Middle St.—Cleveland Ave. to Elm St. ....	2,350
South St. ....	300
Washington St.—Capen's Bridge to Hawthorne Rd. ....	1,200
Marshall St. ....	1,150
Cedar St. ....	2,200
Commercial St.—Adams St. to Quincy Line. ....	3,650
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	40,575

For the above work, 45,119 gals. of tar were bought at the cost of \$5,269.97.

**Total cost of Tarvia & Sanding for 1938:**

Labor \$4,251.31—Hauling \$840.84—Material \$3,909.23—Total \$9,001.38.

**Total cost of Tarvia & Sanding for 1937:**

Labor \$5,043.47—Hauling \$2,296.92—Material \$2,859.61—Total \$10,200.00.

### W.P.A.

In March 1938, we were confronted with a very serious condition, there being only one project available for W.P.A. under Highway jurisdiction. This had a tendency to keep our welfare list overburdened with men who were eligible for W.P.A. but could not be assigned work because of lack of projects. Projects were written and approved as promptly as possible, but it takes approximately six to eight weeks to get a project into operation from the time it is submitted for approval until it is returned and ready for operation. It was, therefore, about May 1st before we started to operate projects on a large scale. There were six groups of men totaling about one hundred employed on curbings, sidewalks and roadways. These men were on Highway work until the hurricane of September 21st, when projects were written to take care of rehabilitation, such as removal of stumps, trees, limbs, etc., which came under the supervision of our Tree Warden, Mr. Bestick. The Highway Department also had a project for repairing damage done by the hurricane, such as repairs to retaining walls, sidewalks, curbs, fences, etc.

At the present time the Highway Department has a reservoir of projects amounting to approximately \$105,000 in Federal funds, which will keep the present men at work for about three years.

We are showing on the following eight pages approved projects as to what has been done and yet to do; also projects submitted to Washington for their approval:

### APPROVED W.P.A. SIDEWALKS

Federal Funds .....	\$38,460.00
Sponsor Funds .....	31,686.00
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Project Total .....	\$70,146.00



1938 Work

Sidewalks on Streets Listed Below, Completed

	Lin. Ft.
Pond St.—Cemetery to Fairview Ave.—South Side.....	580
Brow Ave.—Tremont St. to Academy St.—Both Sides.....	2,750
Frederick Rd.—North Side .....	640
Safford St.—Franklin St. to Franklin St.....	830
Tremont St.—Hobart Ave. to Brow Ave.—East Side .....	540
Tremont St.—Washington St. to Central Ave.—West Side....	1,350
Thayer Pl.—South Side .....	490
West St.—Washington St. to Walnut St.—North Side.....	2,090
Mt. Vernon Ave.—Washington St. to Mt. Vernon St.—North Side .....	960
Clark St.—Washington St. to Wyman Rd.—North Side.....	350
School St.—Washington St. to President Rd.—South Side....	300
Washington St.—Common St. to Bridge—West Side .....	740

Above Cost:

Federal .....	\$8,245.48
Sponsor .....	5,157.80
Total .....	<u>\$13,403.28</u>

APPROVED SIDEWALKS ON STREETS YET TO BE DONE

	Lin. Ft.
Adams St.—Elm St. to Fore River Tracks, South Side.....	2,780
Allen St.—Shaw St. to Quincy Ave.....	1,330
Ash St.—West St. to Hollis Ave., West Side.....	790
Bickford Rd.—Quincy Ave. to end of curbing, North Side....	840
Bower Rd.—Elm St. to end of curbing, both sides.....	1,340
Columbus Ave.—Fountain St. to last House, South Side.....	600
Fountain St.—Pearl St. to Sagamore St., East Side.....	820
Hancock St.—Frederick Rd. to Hancock Ave., West Side.....	850
Hobart St.—Prospect St. to Hayward St., West Side.....	1,350
Hollis Ave.—Oak St. to Walnut St., North Side.....	750
Hunt Ave.—Middle St. to Jersey Ave., South Side.....	600
Independence Ave.—Washington St. to Quincy Line, West Side	970
Lemoyne St.—River St. to last house, East Side.....	610
Mt. Vernon St.—West St. to Western Ave., West Side.....	970
Middle St.—Arnold St. to opposite Hunt Ave., North Side....	700
Monatiquot Ave.—Maple St. to Walnut St., North Side.....	2,060
Oak St.—West St. to Hollis Ave., West Side.....	800
President Rd.—Washington St. to School St., East Side.....	730
River St.—Middle St. to Arnold St., North Side.....	810
Shaw St.—Somerville Ave. to Hayward St., East Side.....	690
Staten Rd.—Common St. to last house, both sides.....	1,100
Quincy Ave.—end of curb at house No. 42 to North Side R.R. tracks .....	420
Quincy Ave.—end of curb Commercial to South Side of R.R. tracks .....	90

APPROVED W.P.A. CURBS

Federal Funds .....	\$27,394.00
Sponsor Funds .....	14,402.00
Project Total .....	<u>\$41,796.00</u>



1938 Work

Curbs on Streets Listed Below, Completed

	Lin. Ft.
Washington St.—existing curb to Monatiquot Ave., West Side	280
Pond St.—Cemetery to Fairview Ave., South Side.....	580
Frederick Rd.—Washington St. to Hancock St., South Side...	620
Safford St.—Franklin St. to Franklin St., East Side.....	830
Tremont St.—Hobart Ave. to Brow Ave., East Side.....	540
West St.—Washington St. to Walnut St., North Side.....	2,090
Mt. Vernon Ave.—Washington St. to Mt. Vernon St., North Side .....	960

Above cost:

Federal .....	\$9,465.06
Sponsor .....	2,745.33
Total .....	\$12,210.39

APPROVED CURBS ON STREETS YET TO BE DONE

	Lin. Ft.
Fountain St.—Pearl St. to Sagamore St., East Side.....	820
Thayer Pl.—Hall Ave. to Washington St., South Side.....	540
Mt. Vernon St.—West St. to Western Ave., West Side.....	970
Oak St.—West St. to Hollis Ave., West Side.....	800
Monatiquot Ave.—Ash St. to Walnut St., North Side.....	1,630
Ash St.—West St. to Hollis Ave., West Side.....	790
Hollis Ave.—Oak St. to Walnut St., North Side.....	750
President Rd.—Washington St. to School St., East Side.....	730
River St.—Middle St. to Arnold St., North Side.....	810
Lemoyne St.—River St. to last house, East Side.....	610
Shaw St.—Somerville Ave. to Hayward St., East Side.....	690
Hobart St.—Hayward St. to Prospect St., West Side.....	1,350
Hayward St.—South Side .....	1,540
Hayward St.—North Side .....	1,170
Quincy Ave.—Curb at house No. 42 to North Side of R.R. tracks .....	420
Quincy Ave.—Curb from Commercial St. to South Side R.R. tracks .....	90

APPROVED ROADWAYS W.P.A.

Federal Funds .....	\$25,971.00
Sponsor Funds .....	14,610.00
Project Total .....	\$40,581.00

1938 Work

Brookside Road (Completed)

1350 ft. of Roadway; 761 ft. of Drainage; 10 Catch Basins; 4 Manholes.

Federal Expenditure .....	\$8,083.28
Sponsor Expenditure .....	3,178.44
Total .....	\$11,261.72

Cedarcliff Road (Completed)

840 ft. of Roadway; 78 ft. of Drainage; 1 Catch Basin.

Federal Expenditure .....	\$4,865.76
Sponsor Expenditure .....	1,416.80
Total .....	\$6,282.56

**Wampatuck Road (Completed)**

810 ft. of Roadway; 50 ft. of Drainage; 2 Catch Basins.

Federal Expenditure .....	\$2,209.64
Sponsor Expenditure .....	537.21

Total .....	\$2,746.85
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**B. V. French Street (60% Completed)**

500 ft. of Roadway; 300 ft. of Drainage; 3 Catch Basins.

Federal Expenditure .....	\$3,763.67
Sponsor Expenditure .....	901.23

Total .....	\$4,664.90
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**APPROVED ROADWAYS YET TO DO**

	Lin. Ft.
Arthur St.—Edgehill Rd. to Gordon Rd.....	225
Shepard Rd.—Jefferson St., South .....	850
Grove St. ....	400
Veranda Rd. ....	200
Arthur St. ....	300
Oregon Ave. ....	700
Rose Ave. ....	900
Faxon St. ....	1,000

**APPROVED W.P.A. STREET SIGNS**

Federal Funds .....	\$990.00
Sponsor Funds .....	482.00

Project Total .....	\$1,472.00
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**1938 Work**

300 Signs made up; 75 Signs erected.

**Above cost:**

Federal .....	\$848.25
Sponsor .....	121.16

Total .....	\$969.41
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**APPROVED STORM DAMAGE REPAIRS W.P.A.**

Federal Funds .....	\$4,147.00
Sponsor Funds .....	1,378.00

Project Total .....	\$5,525.00
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**1938 Work**

Federal Expenditure .....	\$2,601.94
Sponsor Expenditure .....	997.52

Total Cost .....	\$3,599.46
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**APPROVED IMPROVEMENT OF ROADSIDE W.P.A.**

Federal Funds .....	\$3,668.00
Sponsor Funds .....	1,091.00

Project Total .....	\$4,759.00
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**1938 Work**

The above work is to be done on Quincy Ave., from Edgehill Rd. to Beechwood Rd. Nothing done as yet.

APPROVED W.P.A. STORM WATER DRAINS, MANHOLES  
AND CATCH BASINS

Federal Funds .....	\$21,710.00
Sponsor Funds .....	11,137.00
Project Total .....	<u>\$32,847.00</u>

1938 Work

Safford St.—100 ft. of drainage—1 catch basin.  
West St.—2 catch basins—1 manhole.

APPROVED DRAINS, ETC., YET TO BE DONE

Stetson St.—from No. 22 to Prescott Lane—6 manholes—10 catch basins.  
Shaw St. opp. Sheppards 450 ft.—3 manholes—4 catch basins—rebuild 1 basin  
Commercial St.—from No. 804, 750 ft.—3 manholes—6 basins.  
Commercial St.—from Fore River R.R. to ledge, 600 ft.—3 manholes —6 basins.  
Cedar St.—from School St. to Haven R.R., 700 ft.—2 manholes—6 basins.  
River St.—from Middle St., 200 ft. west—1 manhole.  
River St.—from No. 198 to existing pipe, 460 ft.—3 manholes—4 basins.  
Middle St.—from Arnold to Whittier, 350 ft.—1 manhole—3 basins.  
Middle St.—from River, South, 460 ft.—2 manholes—4 basins—rebuild 1 basin.  
Arbutus Ave.—from Plymouth to Washington, 230 ft.—2 manholes—2 basins.  
Liberty St., 750 ft.—5 manholes—6 basins.  
Jersey Ave., 250 ft.—1 manhole—2 basins.  
Harrison Ave., 200 ft.—3 manholes—6 Basins.  
Fogg's Drain—630 ft. of 15 in. VC Pipe—820 ft. of 20 in. VC Pipe—7 Manholes.

**Fogg's Drain:**

Inasmuch as Quincy Ave. eases into this drain, the State has turned over to us to be used here, the following material: 630 ft. of 15 in. Reinf. Concrete Pipe; 3000 Brick.

W.P.A. PROJECT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO WASHINGTON—  
WAITING FOR APPROVAL

**West Street Culverts**

Federal Funds .....	\$18,536.00
Sponsor Funds .....	10,896.00
Project Total .....	<u>\$29,432.00</u>

**Curbs**

Federal Funds .....	\$56,351.00
Sponsor Funds .....	33,968.00
Project Total .....	<u>\$90,319.00</u>



## W.P.A. CURBS

Lin. Ft.

Academy St.—west side . . . . .	930
Bellevue Ave.—Washington St. east—north side . . . . .	250
Bellevue Rd.—Hewmason Rd. to Stetson St.—east side . . . . .	1,180
Burroughs Rd.—Elm St. to Perry Rd.—both sides . . . . .	1,670
Cabot Ave.—Cleveland Ave. to last house—both sides . . . . .	580
Central St.—Summer St. to Taylor St.—west side . . . . .	460
Charles St.—Park St. to Elm St.—east side . . . . .	500
Cochato Rd.—Hollis Ave. to Storrs Ave.—east side . . . . .	1,150
Crescent Ave.—Pearl St. to last house—west side . . . . .	370
Dean St.—Oak St. to Cochato Rd.—south side . . . . .	500
Edgemont Rd.—Shaw St. 330 ft. east—both sides . . . . .	660
Edgemont Rd.—from No. 36 to No. 98—south side . . . . .	760
Elm St.—Charles St. to Cedar St.—north side . . . . .	795
Elmlawn Rd.—Elm St. to existing curb—both sides . . . . .	1,680
Elmwood Ave.—Sumner St. to Sumner Ave.—south side . . . . .	225
Elmwood Ave.—from existing curb to Franklin St.—north side . . . . .	200
Fairfield St.—Washington St. to Holmes St.—both sides . . . . .	880
Harding Ave.—Cleveland Ave. to last house—both sides . . . . .	560
Harrison Ave.—Cleveland Ave. to Middle St.—south side . . . . .	1,000
Hawthorn Rd.—Home Park Rd. to Washington St. . . . .	1,940
Highland Ave.—Hancock St. to Jefferson St.—north side . . . . .	640
Hillview Rd.—Washington St. to last house—both sides . . . . .	1,600
Holmes St.—Washington St. to Independence Ave.—both sides . . . . .	930
Kew Rd.—Strathmore Rd. to Middle St.—south side . . . . .	370
Mt. Vernon Ave.—Washington St. to Mt. Vernon St.—north side . . . . .	960
Mt. Vernon St.—West St. to Weston Ave.—west side . . . . .	970
Marshall St.—Middle St. to Hamilton St.—north side . . . . .	1,220
Middle St.—Elm St. to River St.—west side . . . . .	1,200
Myrtle St.—Middle St. to Vine St.—south side . . . . .	650
Park St.—Cedar St. to last house—south side . . . . .	840
Plain St.—from R.R. to last house—north side . . . . .	1,600
Sampson Ave.—south side . . . . .	600
School St.—Cedar St. to Church St.—both sides . . . . .	1,600
Shaw St.—Howard St. to Braintree-Quincy Line—west side . . . . .	1,000
Sherbrooke Ave.—south side . . . . .	1,060
Spruce St.—River St. to Myrtle St.—east side . . . . .	520
Stetson St.—Bellevue Rd. to Brookside Rd.—north side . . . . .	250
Strathmore Rd.—Union St. to last house—east side . . . . .	230
Strathmore Rd.—Kew Rd. to Union St.—west side . . . . .	100
Taylor St.—Washington St. to Tremont St.—south side . . . . .	700
Totnes Rd.—Middle St. to end of acceptance—north side . . . . .	260
Sumner Ave.—Hollingsworth Ave. to Elmwood Ave.—west side . . . . .	550
Sumner Ave.—Elmwood Ave. to Lakeview Ave.—east side . . . . .	280
Sumner St.—Lakeview Ave. to Elmwood Ave.—both sides . . . . .	560
Quincy Ave.—south side . . . . .	510
Vine St.—east side . . . . .	520
Waldron Rd.—Washington St. to Beals Rd.—both sides . . . . .	1,520
Walnut St.—Storrs Ave. Ext. to Parkside Ave.—both sides . . . . .	800
Walnut St.—Hollis Ave. to West St.—west side . . . . .	580
Webster Rd.—Washington St. to Wilmarth Rd.—north side . . . . .	670
Weston Ave.—south side . . . . .	1,460
Wilmarth Rd.—Webster Rd. to last house—east side . . . . .	620
Wyman Rd.—Webster Rd. to Shaw Ave.—east side . . . . .	1,130
Howard St.—Hayward St. to Quincy Line—west side . . . . .	2,580
Howard St.—Hayward St. to Shaw St.—east side . . . . .	1,520
Middle St.—Union to Marshall . . . . .	1,050
Georg Anna—south side . . . . .	230
Talbot Rd.—east and west sides . . . . .	1,000

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Total . . . . . 49,720

PROPOSED ROADWAYS REFERRED TO THE HIGHWAY AT  
TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 10, 1938

Project Proposal being writtten.

	Lin. Ft.
Bradley Road .....	425
Ellsworth St. ....	520
Carter Road .....	426
Faulkner Place .....	500
Wynot Road .....	643

CHURCH STREET

At our regular town meeting in March 1937, \$18,500 was appropriated for construction of Church and Center Streets, under what we term a Chapter 90 project, whereby the town and state, or a contractor and the state, enter into a contract to do certain units of work at a unit price, the total units of work items amounting to approximately \$26,000. This means the state set up an allotment of \$13,000, to be matched by the town with an additional \$13,000. This contract called for installing drains, excavating, filling, guard rail fencing, gravel foundation, etc., with no surfacing except a tarvia surface on a portion of Center Street.

Work was started about September 10, 1937, and discontinued about January 15, 1938 upon a statement from the state engineer that the job was operating at a loss to the town and that it would be advisable to wait until weather conditions were suitable for this type of work. At the time the project was closed the town had spent approximately \$11,000.

This project was reopened in May 1938 with a balance of \$7,500 in town funds to complete the contract. By using a small crew of workmen and machinery to advantage, we were able to complete the original so-called No. 1 contract. There are still two contracts to go. No. 2 contract which will be started shortly, weather conditions permitting, consists of excavating between the Quincy Line and the Underpass Bridge on Center Street, extending the ultimate disposal of drainage, gravel fill, proper traffic lights at the rotary circle and curbing various islands. This work will cost the town an additional \$3,000, which was appropriated at our special town meeting in October. There is still a third contract to be taken into consideration, which will consist of placing a permanent surface of broken stone and asphalt top over the entire area, which is now temporarily treated with tarvia. This contract will cost the town an additional \$8,000.

Before we have a finished first class project, it will cost the town approximately \$29,500 plus land damages (which amount cannot be stated at this time), with an additional expenditure of state funds totaling approximately \$24,000, making a grand total for the project of approximately \$53,500 plus land damages.

CHAPTER 500

The Town of Braintree received for its share from the State Gasoline Tax Fund, \$21,500 to be used for highway purposes. This money could be spent by the Selectmen on any project or projects, excepting state highways, providing the Selectmen presented the project to the State Department of Public Works for its approval. One project was



submitted by the Selectmen calling for the expenditure of \$6,700 on Elm, Railroad and River Streets to remove car tracks, install new curbing, asphalt sidewalks, etc. This project was approved and work has been started and undoubtedly will not be completed until next spring.

On September 21st came the hurricane, which not only cost the lives of a good many fine shade trees, but also cost the town considerable money.

The Selectmen immediately declared an emergency and authorized the Highway Department to open all streets as promptly as possible. Seven groups of men were quickly organized who worked willingly and ably until every street in the entire town was passable. This was accomplished in about fourteen hours.

The Highway Department spent approximately \$1,782 on emergency work, which was authorized by the state to be spent from our Gasoline Fund allotment. The remainder of the \$21,500, amounting to about \$13,000, has been or will be spent by the Tree Warden's Department.

This has been a very unusual and trying nine months. Almost everything that could happen has taken place, such as, floods in July (7 days and nights of rain), the hurricane in September, and snow in November, most unusually early.

We are attaching to this letter our financial statement for the year 1938.

In conclusion, I extend my thanks to the Selectmen for their co-operation, to my assistant and to the workmen for their loyalty and hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN Q. WENTWORTH,

Superintendent of Highway Department.



# HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Braintree:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor and pleasure of submitting to you my report for the year 1938, which shows expenditure accounts of the Highway Department.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WENTWORTH,  
Superintendent of Highway Department.

Item	Appropriation	Expended	Balance Unexpended	Carried to 1939
<b>General</b>				
Supplies	\$860.41	\$846.11	\$14.30	
Gas & Oil	4,700.00	4,280.92	419.08	
Patching Streets	10,350.00	9,001.38	1,348.62	
Street Cleaning	8,250.00	6,968.38	1,281.62	
Drains & C Basins	3,000.00	2,990.36	9.64	
Tarvia & Sanding	12,000.00	9,415.09	2,584.91	
Repairs to Equipment	7,201.12	7,195.21	5.91	
Repairs to Sidewalks	2,500.00	1,549.79	950.21	
All Others	4,700.00	4,677.06	22.94	
	<u>\$53,561.53</u>	<u>\$46,924.30</u>	<u>\$6,637.23</u>	
Totals				\$6,637.23

Wildwood Ave. Sidewalk	1,146.17	1,146.17			
Middle Street Sidewalk	755.99	755.99			
Hancock Street Sidewalk	1,320.00	1,316.57	3.43		
Widen Union Street	338.01	338.01			
W.P.A. Appropriation	17,204.39	15,075.49			\$2,128.90
Snow Removal	16,000.00	15,620.18	379.82		
Chapter 90 Bal. 1937		20,254.42	No. 1 Contract No. 2 Contract		
From State		515.80			799.98
Appropriated 10/10	21,570.20				
Chapter 500 (Estimated)	6,700.00	1,508.55			
Hurricane Emergency		1,782.38			3,409.07
Supt. Salary	2,900.00	2,900.00			
Totals	\$121,496.29	\$108,137.86	\$7,020.48		\$6,337.95

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Health Department**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**



## REPORT OF THE BRAINTREE BOARD OF HEALTH

January 6, 1939.

To the Citizens of the Town of Braintree:

The Board of Health hereby submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

"Life without health means neither liberty, nor the pursuit of happiness."

We are pleased to report the Town of Braintree has enjoyed a very healthy year in 1938, no serious epidemics of any contagious disease having occurred. This, we feel, is due in a great part, to the constant check on the children in the schools by the School Department, teachers, doctors, and nurse, Miss Collins. The schools are really our first line of defense.

Then, too, the Diphtheria Clinic held every spring, is proving to be of great value, no case of diphtheria having been reported in Braintree for four years. Last spring 300 children, both pre-school and school children took three inoculations of toxoid serum. However, this record can only be maintained as long as we immunize a sufficient number of children to keep the immunity rate at its present level. As young children from six months to six years are most susceptible, we urge the parents to take advantage of the Diphtheria Clinic, or have their own doctor immunize them and thus protect them. Another clinic will be held this spring. Dates will be announced later, probably in April and May.

The visiting nurses have made many calls, especially on Tuberculosis Prevention work, and are always willing to co-operate with this department whenever asked to make calls. Their report will show the benefit of this work.

We especially call your attention to the Dental Clinic under the able direction of Mr. Fisher, Superintendent of Schools. Many children are receiving dental treatment who would otherwise have to go without. We feel this care is, in a great part, responsible for the healthy condition of the children at present and greatly adds to their efficiency in school, thus giving them a better start in life. Whatever money is spent for the dental clinic is repaid many times over, as it helps control contagious epidemics, a saving of unknown amount to the town. Mr. Fisher asks no financial gain for his valuable time and work, but only asks enough appropriation to give as many children as possible this dental care. You will also note that there is a refund from this clinic, for those that can pay a little, do so. Mr. Fisher's report will be included in the report of the Board and will speak for itself.

We have had many and varied complaints and at a meeting of the Board on June 10, 1938, a resolution was adopted, "That all complaints of a serious nature should be made to the Board in writing."

Many sewer connections have been made through the efforts of the Board, especially where cesspools are a nuisance and the sewer is available we do insist on sewer connections being made. All plumbing work, which has to do with the sewer line, where sewer is available must now enter sewer before plumbing permit is granted.

There is an ever increasing need for rubbish collection in the Town of Braintree. This subject has been discussed for several years without any action being taken. One has only to drive around the Town to see evidence of promiscuous dumping and in some cases, only a few feet apart, have a "No Dumping" sign staring him in the face. The Health Department has spent ninety-two dollars this year for these signs,

surely an unnecessary expense. We hope the citizens will appropriate a sum of money at Town Meeting to correct this evil.

We also recommend, and have an article in the warrant, that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to secure a suitable tract of land for a Town Dump, this filling might, in time, secure to the Town another playground.

Seventy-six dog bite cases were reported to the Health Department this year, an increase of 40% over 1937, in each case dog being quarantined for 14 days. There were, no doubt, other cases which were not reported. Among this number, there were about ten cases where person was bitten on face, thus necessitating recommendation for vaccine treatment, which was accepted in most cases, as face bites are too near the brain, and one can not delay treatment awaiting development in the dog. One dog, fortunately out of a kennel, was proven rabied and two men who took dog to hospital, although not bitten, took 14 inoculations as a preventive measure.

We do feel the need of a Rabie clinic in our Town, the same as many other cities and towns are conducting, and a small appropriation with a small fee for inoculation would probably save the Town money. No telling what one case of rabies might cost the Town of Braintree. If you love your dogs you surely want to protect them as well as yourselves.

The W.P.A Department of Braintree has had a mosquito control project on file for some time, only awaiting action from neighboring towns. No use trying to control mosquitoes in Braintree only to have them come in from adjoining towns where there is no control. Your Health Office also represented Braintree at a meeting in Dedham in November before the Norfolk County commissioners regarding mosquito control for the whole country. A committee was appointed to study this problem and at an early meeting report back to the cities and towns of Norfolk County its progress.

Every city and town, is by law, which went into effect August 18, 1937, bound to provide an equipped basket for premature babies, available at all times day or night. The Board is thereupon required to provide transportation and care for the infant at a hospital equipped for the purpose, the cost to be borne by the Welfare Department if the parents are unable to pay. We have met this requirement and there is now a fully equipped basket available at the Police Station as part of their emergency supplies.

A complete inspection of cafes, restaurants and taverns in the Town was made by the Board. We found that most places appreciate the value of cleanliness, use of hot water for dishes and glasses, rinse at the bars, as a means of attracting business. If some would take as much pride in the outside of their premises as they do inside they would be assured of still more business and trade of the type they welcome.

Outside of the inspection of milk handling and storage in the stores, as well as checking on producers in Braintree we do not know whether or not we are getting the quality milk we should. The only way to be assured of the best quality milk distributed in Braintree, is to have at least quarterly tests made by seizure of samples from producers, and an analysis made. This can only be done with an appropriation for this purpose and the Board hopes the citizens can see the value of this service. Remember, for the milk to be an asset to one's existence it must be of good quality and must be safe from a health point of view.

Your Health Officer has removed from the highways and byways thirty-five dead dogs and fifty cats, six skunks, one wood chuck, one rabbit, and one fox, killed by automobiles or otherwise.



On May 24, 1938, your Board adopted, after duly advertised in a local paper, new health regulations and plumbing rules and regulations. You are welcome to a copy of these regulations, which may be obtained at the Health Office upon request.

Vital Statistics were ably handled by Mr. Ernest Woodsum in his usual efficient manner.

We call your attention to the detailed reports of the various divisions of the department which follow this report—the summary of communicable diseases, the dental clinic, tuberculosis prevention, and reports of plumbing inspector, the inspector of meats and provisions, and the milk inspector.

Respectfully submitted,

DEANE R. WALKER, Chairman

DWIGHT A. CHANDLER, Clerk

JOHN J. ATKINSON

Board of Health.

FREDERICK C. JOHNSON

Health Officer.

## REPORT OF MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTION

January 6, 1939.

To the Board of Health of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my annual report from March 15th, 1938, to January 1st, 1939, inspections of markets, bakeries, and provisions stores, also slaughtering inspection.

Markets, bakeries, and provisions stores inspected.....162

Hogs, slaughtering inspected

By Charles Matthews, Slaughtering Inspector..... 7

Only a few cases of meats or provisions condemned. I was instrumental in having a new refrigerating plant installed in one of the stores where there was leakage and danger of spoiling meats. Stores as a whole, were clean and meet health rules and regulations.

We hope, if the town adopts rubbish collection, conditions will be improved in back of stores, outside I mean. Some improvement is to be noted, however, and we thank those who have co-operated with me upon improving conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK C. JOHNSON,  
Meat and Provision Inspector.



# REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Milk Inspector for the Town of Braintree for 1938.

Milk Licenses issued to Stores and Restaurants.....	77
Milk Licenses issued to Dealers.....	17
Oleomargarine Licenses issued to Stores.....	17
Pasteurization Licenses issued .....	1

Most of the milk sold in Braintree is from larger producers and over 90% of it is pasteurized. There are, however, a few small producers, whose milk, together with that of the larger distributor, should be periodically analyzed and the result published in the local papers. I recommend that a sum of money be appropriated for this work.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK C. JOHNSON,  
Milk Inspector.

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTION OF PLUMBING

January 3, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Health  
Town of Braintree, Massachusetts.

We wish to report that there were 998 plumbing fixtures installed from January 1 to December 31, 1938, at an approximate valuation of \$58,805.00. There were also 86 sewer connections made and tested.

C. W. SULLIVAN  
Appointee in Charge of Plumbing Inspection.

ARTHUR F. SULLIVAN  
Additional Appointee of Plumbing Inspection.

REPORT OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES FOR 1938

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Chicken-pox .....	2	2	1	3	2	7	3	1		3		3	27
Dog Bite .....	5	2	4	9	7	9	6	11	5	10	4	4	76
German Measles .....			1		1								2
Lobar Pneumonia .....			1	2	1				1	1		2	7
Measles .....	1	1		1		1		1		1		3	9
Mumps .....	1		1	1									3
Scarlet Fever .....					3	1		1	2	2		4	46
Septic Sore Throat .....	7	11	6	9		1							1
*Tuberculosis													
Pulmonary .....	1		2	3		2	1	3	2	11	7	5	37
All other forms .....				1					1				2
Whooping-Cough .....		1					1	2				5	9
Gonorrhea .....		1	5	1	2	1		2			3	1	16
Syphilis .....		1	3			2	2			2			10
Totals .....	17	19	24	30	16	24	13	21	10	30	14	27	245

\*Braintree cases and all cases entered at Norfolk County Hospital from other cities and towns, reported as of Braintree.

REPORT OF TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION WORK—1938

Home Visits .....	20	19	21	23	27	22	9	17	20	28	15	21	242
Taken for X-ray and re-examination .....	5		11	34	11	6		2	4	3	2	3	81
Admitted to Hospital .....	1				1								2
Total .....	26	19	32	57	39	28	9	19	24	31	17	24	325

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC AS CONDUCTED BY  
THE BOARD OF HEALTH UNDER THE DIRECTION AND  
SUPERVISION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

During the calendar year of 1938 it was impossible to get time to do any work for the School Dental Clinic in the Abraham Lincoln and Thomas A. Watson Schools, and work in the Noah Torrey School was not completed. This condition, however, would seem to be an improvement over last year, since in that year no work was done in three of the schools.

In the present school year of 1938-1939, work in the Braintree Highlands School has been completed, and probably more than half of the work to be done in the Noah Torrey School has been completed. Immediately after the Christmas vacation work will be resumed in the Noah Torrey School, and then the Clinic will move to the Monatiquot, Hollis, Penniman, Jonas Perkins, Thomas A. Watson, and Abraham Lincoln, in the order as indicated so far as time and money appropriated will permit.

From an analysis of the operations performed last year, and this, it would seem to be quite evident that improved conditions in the teeth of our children in the first four grades have been brought about, since the number of extractions is relatively considerably smaller.

During the calendar year of 1938, \$2,298.75 was available for the School Dental Clinic work—435 cleanings, 1872 fillings and 222 extractions, the total number of operations thus being 2529. Since the receipts secured, by charging twenty-five cents for each operation, was \$632.25, the net cost to the Town for this work was \$1,666.50.

I think it is fair to say that the work accomplished undoubtedly saves much suffering and improves the health and happiness of many of our children enrolled in the Public Schools, and justifies the relatively small cost to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

C. EDWARD FISHER,  
Superintendent of Schools.





Honorable Board of Public Welfare  
Town Hall  
South Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I beg to submit, herewith, my report for the year from January 1, 1938, up to, and including December 31, 1938.

During my term of office all files have been checked and settlements properly acknowledged or denied so that disallowances from charges to the Commonwealth, cities, and towns would be minimized and collections assured. In the previous years, evidently, this was not done with the results that upwards of \$3,550.00 was abated due to negligence for this reason.

A proper accounting system has been installed, wherein authorized bills to the Department have been checked and approved for payment each day, cash discounts taken, set up in the journal, and sent to the accountant for payment each week with a numbered list of vouchers, each voucher properly designating the distribution to a particular fund, such as Rent, Hospital, Fuel, etc.

New forms, for the daily distribution sheet to the individual, have been adopted which will not only save time in rendering bills properly, but also sets up a monthly expenditure of each case.

Distribution of Federal Surplus Milk was changed to conform to methods adopted by surrounding towns, and all deliveries by special car was stopped, which proved a great saving to the town.

The work performed by men for aid has been most gratifying, and besides hauling 350 loads of wood from the Great Pond Project, cut by W.P.A. workmen, under the able direction of the foreman, Mr. Joseph P. Hall, 1,000 loads have been delivered to recipients and border line cases of needy persons. Under the supervision of the Highway Department they have installed curbs and sidewalks on Elm-lawn Road, Pond School, Vine and Myrtle Streets, Storrs Avenue and Washington Street, and many other places throughout the town, dug ditches and installed pipe for proper drainage, road work at Trefton Drive, swept streets, erected stonewall at Pearl Street, cleaned up and mowed grass, gravelled drives at Plain Street Cemetery, cut brush in various locations, and any other work they were called upon to do for the betterment of the town.

Personal contact was made with Relief Departments of the Commonwealth and cities and towns doing business with us in order to establish a feeling of good-will and friendliness, so important in settling cases and charges. This resulted in my being able to make collections of years standing, especially with Boston, and although we were promised settlement of their account to January 1, 1938, and which dated back to 1930, the actual payment did not arrive until the first week of January, therefore, I could not include the payment in this year's receipts.

I strongly recommend that consideration be given to the appointment of a trained social worker, not a resident of Braintree, but an entire stranger, together with an assistant to investigate all cases, both old and new, so that no influence from friendship or politics will be displayed in rendering aid.

The present location of the Welfare and Old Age Assistance Departments should be changed to the lower floor of the Town Hall and ample space with more privacy for the Administrator and Investigators provided so that less confusion is displayed on days when recipients are receiving orders.

At this time I desire to express my appreciation for the wonderful co-operation received from the other departments of the town, and my office personnel, and the harmony that exists is truly conducive of the best results.

For the courtesy shown by representatives of the Commonwealth I wish to express my thanks at this time to the following persons: Mr. Roy D. Merchant, Mr. Frank R. Goodhue, Mr. Harold Macauley, Mr. William H. O'Brien.

It has also been a pleasure to meet and do business with: Mr. James Quinn of Boston, Mr. Anthony J. Venna of Quincy, Mr. Thomas P. Delahunt of Weymouth, Mr. Hartley A. Simmons of Holbrook.

May I express my thanks to them and many others.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK D. LAWLEY,  
Administrator.



**TEMPORARY AID**  
**DETAILED EXPENDITURES IN 1938**

	Cases	Food	Rents	Fuel	Cash	Light	Medical	Hosp. B. & C.	Shoes Clothing	Inst.	Towns & Cities	All Others	Totals
January	201	\$ 999.30	\$1,452.32	\$1,729.67	\$1,096.00	\$ 120.08	\$ 267.59	\$ 87.45	\$ 193.12	\$ 202.86		\$ 19.25	\$6,167.64
February	202	2,620.00	1,635.56	1,471.22	990.38	202.57	289.37	84.40	142.25	354.26		62.32	7,852.33
March	237	5,125.41	1,700.95	1,056.51	1,554.00	180.20	489.87	447.03	159.54	34.00		79.77	10,827.28
April	190	5,975.15	1,260.72	656.75	874.25	80.82	88.49	202.59	62.16	501.45		47.59	9,749.97
May	235	3,641.01	1,487.03	366.14	969.14	102.51	653.99	619.71	505.00			64.76	8,409.29
June	183	3,555.18	1,797.55	279.38	1,077.00	78.33	450.39	109.56	126.02			135.75	7,609.16
July	194	2,137.65	1,066.86	152.62	837.00	59.95	592.49	283.71	124.95	213.00		30.03	5,498.26
August	151	2,783.02	1,282.73	114.15	809.00	71.45	284.97	241.57	48.84			10.40	5,646.13
September	160	3,062.90	1,505.61	100.13	788.00	82.42	712.85	137.36	332.53			158.76	6,880.56
October	147	2,609.68	1,134.70	147.47	768.00	86.54	562.67	431.19	50.01	562.41	1,579.62	66.15	7,998.44
November	146	2,240.27	1,206.38	244.60	776.00	67.58	480.49	409.46	324.07	312.28	4,089.46	179.53	10,330.12
December	152	3,777.76	1,734.15	1,403.95	994.00	151.94	924.70	544.00	382.74	25.71	1,889.47	42.84	11,871.26
Totals	2,198	\$38,527.33	\$17,264.56	\$7,722.59	\$11,532.77	\$1,284.39	\$5,797.87	\$3,598.03	\$2,451.23	\$2,205.97	\$7,558.55	\$ 897.15	\$98,840.44

	\$98,840.44
Difference in Ledger & Bills Paid January 1 to March 31	654.64
Total Expenditures	\$99,495.08



## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

January 18, 1939.

Honorable Board of Public Welfare  
Town Hall  
South Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

In submitting attached report you will notice that there has been an increase of 50% in the case load, due partially to transfers from the Welfare Department and to new cases.

This form of relief is a great saving to the Town, through the Federal and Commonwealth grants, and had these cases not been eligible for A.D.C. the Welfare Department would have had to bear the whole burden of assistance.

For the courtesy shown by the Commonwealth I wish to express my thanks at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK D. LAWLEY,  
Administrator.



AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN  
Detailed Expenditures of 1938

1938	Cases	Cash Payment	Light Fuel, Rent	Medicine Medical	Hosp.	Milk	Misc.	Total
January	20	\$1,138.33						\$1,138.33
February	21	1,225.50	\$42.53	\$19.05	\$21.00	\$4.03	\$23.00	1,335.11
March	24	1,276.00	70.45	11.35		3.64	19.23	1,380.67
April	22	1,212.00	19.45	26.05	2.75	4.03	40.15	1,304.43
May	25	1,322.50	19.23	87.60	153.30	3.90	15.00	1,601.53
June	25	1,354.00	19.21	63.15		8.06	3.95	1,448.37
July	27	1,454.50	19.34	88.59	16.86	3.90	17.60	1,600.79
August	29	1,587.50	57.31	57.95	42.15	4.03	9.00	1,757.94
September	29	1,627.00	19.31	77.44		4.03		1,727.78
October	30	1,643.40	29.15	81.80		3.90		1,758.25
November	30	1,591.40	143.42	115.03		4.03	7.50	1,861.38
December	30	1,626.40	130.48	110.48		7.93	40.00	1,915.29
Totals		\$17,058.53	\$569.88	\$738.49	\$236.06	\$51.48	\$175.43	\$18,829.87*

\*Federal Grants Received ..... \$3,103.89  
Commonwealth Grants Received ..... 1,204.29  
Total ..... \$4,308.18

January 17, 1939

Mr. Frederick D. Lawley  
Welfare Administrator  
South Braintree, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I, herewith, submit my report on the Town Infirmary from January 1, 1938 to December 31, 1938.

#### IMPROVEMENTS

1. Roof shingled
2. Gutters repaired
3. New washing machine

#### SAVINGS

1. Paper bill reduced 50%
2. Milk to be delivered at 2c a quart below retail price

#### DEATH

1. William DeLucca—died 5/19/38
- Number of inmates during the year average fourteen (14).

Very truly yours,

P. T. DONAHUE,  
Superintendent.

TOWN INFIRMARY, 1938

	Cases	Groceries	Fuel & Lights	Clothing	Medical Medicine	Tel.	Bld. Rep.	Misc.	Gas.	Total
January . . .										
February . .		\$254.26	\$142.16	\$14.36	\$32.18	\$5.70	\$30.14	\$199.22		\$678.02
March . . . .		671.72	199.55	49.50	70.59	12.35		235.34	\$29.07	1,268.12
April . . . . .	18	69.70	11.51	23.08				1.40		105.69
May . . . . .	19	336.84	391.67		51.54	11.85	11.80	147.32		951.02
June . . . . .	15	389.60	30.93	68.92	47.92	6.00		83.56		626.93
July . . . . .	17	45.80	12.66					46.54		105.00
August . . . .	12	263.38	22.67	10.65	16.68	5.70	49.85	42.86	6.13	417.92
September . .	12	356.67	23.59	25.48	43.35	12.10		105.03	18.63	584.85
October . . . .	13	78.46	21.87	4.35	26.94	5.95	20.00	45.01		202.58
November . . .	22	246.30	27.45	28.49	.75	6.76		63.71		373.46
December . . .	14	290.18	46.97	4.50	44.43	5.60	995.00	63.83	14.75	1,465.26
Total . . . .		\$3,002.91	\$931.03	\$229.33	\$334.38	\$72.01	\$1,106.79	\$1,033.82	\$68.58	\$6,778.85

\$6,778.85

Difference between Ledger and bills paid 1st 3 months . . .

93.38

Expenditures . . . . .

\$6,872.23

Balance . . . . .

2.26

Budget . . . . .

\$6,874.49



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Water Department**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Braintree**  
**FROM**  
**December 31, '37 to December 31, '38**

COMMISSIONERS AND OFFICERS OF THE  
WATER DEPARTMENT

1938

GEORGE A. WALKER, Chairman  
Term Expires 1941

THOMAS E. SEARS  
Term Expires 1940

JOSEPH LANDERS  
Term Expires 1939

JOHN W. HARDING, Treasurer

WALTER M. HATCH, Superintendent

FRANCIS J. O'ROURKE, Chief Engineer

## REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Water Commissioners submit the Annual Report of the Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

In making our report we have complied with the request of the Selectmen—"in making your report to put into it only the necessary reports and to eliminate all unnecessary work." This to keep the cost down.

An itemized account of all expenses, corresponding to our previous annual reports, is on file in the Water Department and available to any interested citizens.

Following are the reports of the Treasurer, Registrar, Collector, Superintendent and Engineers.

THOMAS E. SEARS,  
JOSEPH LANDERS,  
GEORGE A. WALKER, Chairman,  
Board of Water Commissioners.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

John W. Harding, Treasurer

In account with Board of Water Commissioners:

Balance January 1, 1938 .....	\$10,565.60	
Received from D. E. Whiting.....	83,589.40	
Paid by Orders of Commissioners.....		\$86,982.89
Balance December 31, 1938.....		7,172.11
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	\$94,155.00	\$94,155.00

### COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Balance from 1937 .....	\$ 200.00	
Collected 1938 .....	83,589.40	
Paid Treasurer on his receipts.....		83,589.40
Balance December 1, 1938 .....		200.00
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	\$83,789.40	\$83,789.40

### REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Water Rates Charged 1938.....	\$81,413.84	
Material & Labor Charged 1938.....	3,697.89	
Summonses .....	8.75	
Telephone Account .....	5.75	
Water Rates Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1937..	20,445.16	
Material & Labor Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1937 .....	2,205.92	
Collections 1938 .....		\$83,588.37
Water Rates Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1938..		21,588.75
Material & Labor Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1938 .....		2,412.13
Abatements on Water Rates .....		181.97
Abatements on Material & Labor.....		6.01
Over payments 1937 .....		21.59
Advance payments 1938 .....	21.51	
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	\$107,798.82	\$107,798.82



## SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Maintenance .....	\$ 7,215.29
Great Pond Pumping Station .....	14,893.51
Little Pond Pumping Station .....	2,368.20
System Maintenance .....	4,932.28
Services in Street .....	4,194.28
Services Outside Street .....	1,510.07
Meters .....	604.85
Meter Repairs .....	2,058.45
Meter Reading .....	1,872.78
Hydrants .....	538.98
Hydrant Repairs .....	137.07
Hydrant Testing & Flushing .....	227.75
Main Pipe Extension .....	5,099.39
Main Pipe Repairs .....	510.92
Automobiles .....	3,178.77
Garage .....	549.53
Stand Pipe and Main Line Loans .....	3,360.00
Tools .....	1,038.38
Filtration .....	8,462.61
Superintendent .....	2,100.00
Insurance .....	1,664.36
Care of Grounds .....	3,300.57
Land Taking .....	4,832.11
Raising Pond Level .....	3,208.04
Painting Stand Pipes .....	1,527.22
Land Clearing Extension Project No. 13668 .....	715.20
Land Clearing Project No. 15107 .....	6,784.65
West Street Drain Project No. 0-1521 .....	7.00
Great Pond Riprap Project No. 17735 .....	90.63
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	\$86,982.89

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Braintree:

Gentlemen:

The following summaries covering the work of the department for the year are respectfully submitted.

WALTER M. HATCH,  
Superintendent.

## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Year ending December 31, 1938

In form recommended by New England Waterworks Association

Population—1938 17,000.

Date of Construction: 1886.

By Whom Owned: Town of Braintree.

Source of Supply:

Braintree Little Pond (Commercial Only).

Braintree Great Pond.

Mode of Supply: Pumping to reservoirs.

Capacity of Reservoirs:

Great Pond Supply—1,560,590 gallons.

Little Pond Supply—458,000 gallons.

# PUMPING STATISTICS

## Great Pond

### 1. Pumping Machinery:

1. Platts cross compound Corliss valve gear steam pump.
2. Allis Chalmers, single stage, double suction centrifugal pump; driven by 100 H.P. General Electric motor.
3. Allis Chalmers, single stage, double suction centrifugal pump; driven by 100 H.P. Allis Chalmers electric motor.

## Little Pond—(Commercial Only)

### 2. Pumping Machinery:

4. Allis Chalmers, single stage, double suction centrifugal pump; driven by 10 H.P. Allis Chalmers electric motor.

### Capacity of Pumps:

No. 1.....	1,512,000
No. 2.....	2,000,000
No. 3.....	1,800,000
No. 4.....	720,000

### 1. Total Pumpage for year:

(1) Great Pond .....	424,917,641 gallons
(2) Little Pond .....	55,875,975 gallons

### 2. Total electric current used—K.W.H.:

(1) Great Pond .....	406,750
(2) Little Pond .....	14,968

### 3. Average static lift of pumps:

(1) Great Pond .....	133 feet
(2) Little Pond .....	17 feet

### 4. Average total lift of pumps:

(1) Great Pond .....	220 feet
(2) Little Pond .....	40 feet

### 5. Cost of current per million gallons:

(1) Great Pond .....	\$10.02
(2) Little Pond .....	6.61

### 6. Cost per million gallons raised one foot:

(1) Great Pond .....	\$ .045+
(2) Little Pond .....	.165

### 7. Cost of pumping per million gallons based on total expense:

(1) Great Pond .....	\$35.04
(2) Little Pond .....	42.30

# FILTRATION STATISTICS

Date of Construction: 1934

Type of Filter: Wheeler Pyramidal, rapid sand

Capacity: 2,000,000 gallons per 24 hours

### Machinery:

1. Bacharach Alum Feeder
2. Bacharach Nuchar Feeder
3. Bacharach Soda Ash Feeder
4. Syntrol Lime Feeder

**Pumping Machinery:**

1. Allis Chalmers, single stage, double suction pump, driven by 25 H.P. Allis Chalmers electric motor and/or 35 H.P. Waukeshu gasoline engine.
2. Allis Chalmers, single stage, double suction pump, driven by 10 H.P. Allis Chalmers electric motor.

**Capacity:**

No. 1.....2,000,000 gallons per 24 hours  
 No. 2..... 580,000 gallons per 24 hours

Total water filtered: 424,917,641 gallons

Total electric current used—K.W.H.: 76,030

Cost of current per millions gallons: \$1.89

Cost per million gallons based on total expense: \$19.91

**RELATING TO DISTRIBUTION MAINS**

1. Kind of pipe: Cast iron, wrought iron
2. Size: From 1" to 16"
3. Extended 1938: 4,333 feet
4. Replaced small wrought iron with cast iron: 1,212 feet
5. Total now in use: 83.52 miles
6. Number of hydrants added in 1938: 4
7. Total number now in use: 495
8. Range of static pressure: 35-105 pounds

**SERVICES**

9. Kind: Cast iron, wrought iron, lead, copper
10. Sizes:  $\frac{5}{8}$ " to 10"
11. Added in 1938: 68
12. Total now in use: 4,536
13. Number of meters added in 1938: 34
14. Total now in use: 4,130
15. Percentage of services metered: 91%



# JURY LIST 1938

AS PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN

Abell, Charles F., 7 Hobart Street	Tester
Adam, Clarence B. E., 76 Front Street	Retired
Albert, Alfred O., 91 Cabot Avenue	Woodworker
Albonetti, Reo, 26 Crescent Avenue	Shoemaker
Alison, Ronald, 30 Lisle Street	Clerk
Alves, John, 37 Maple Street	Photographer
Anderson, Raymond F., 34 Hillcrest Road	Salesman
Arnold, George A., 242 Middle Street	Farmer
Barasso, Antonio, 4 Rose Avenue	Shoe Worker
Barkelow, Cornelius, Middle Street	Iron Worker
Barnett, John, 306 Commercial Street	Laborer
Barrett, John, 15 Carter Road	Laborer
Barrett, Joseph P., 31 Elmlawn Road	Electrician
Bean, George A., 116 Hobart Street	Machinist
Beck, Robert S., 37 Dean Street	Salesman
Bennett, John, Liberty Street	Chauffeur
Berrio, Donald, 1281 Washington Street	Marketman
Bestick, Charles M., 469 Washington Street	Electrician
Bestick, LeRoy C., 469 Washington Street	Electrician
Blunt, Arthur A., 259 Washington Street	Manager
Boardman, Herbert O., 49 Mt. Vernon Street	Clerk
Boynton, Arthur E., 145 River Street	Real Estate
Bregoli, Arigo, 20 Crescent Avenue	Shoe Worker
Brown, Edward D., 302 Washington Street	Salesman
Burke, Warren P., 72 River Street	Sheet Worker
Campbell, Frank J., 30 Harbor Villa Avenue	Pumper
Campbell, Fred, 21 Quincy Avenue	Manager
Carlino, Felix A., 568 Pond Street	Farmer
Carlozzi, Frank, 33 Fountain Street	Shoe Worker
Cavanaugh, Arthur J., 72 Cedar Street	Contractor
Chase, Harry L., Jr., 115 Central Avenue	Salesman
Chiesa, Dela, 159 Hawthorne Road	Engineer
Christian, Jay A., 24 Lisle Street	Manager
Clougherty, Thomas E., 200 Washington Street	Clerk
Coccozello, Joseph A., 46 Wyman Road	Shoe Worker
Collins, James P., 41 River Street	Clerk
Corrigan, Richard F., 77 Columbus Avenue	Storekeeper

Costantino, Dominick, off Butler Road, So. Braintree	Shoe Worker
Coveter, Arthur, 22 Sheppard Avenue	Salesman
Cuff, Joseph W., 202 Commercial Street	Engineer
Cushing, Perley H., 250 Plain Street	Clerk
Dalton, Thomas J. F., 46 Elliot Street	Foreman
Davenport, George, 171 Hayward Street	Janitor
DeGiso, Alphonse, 548 Pond Street	Service Manager
Delorey, Charles, 138 Hobart Street	Millwright
Delorey, Walter E., 114 Oakland Road	Shoe Worker
Demarest, Clarence, 68 Sherbrooke Avenue	Salesman
Demeritt, Harlan, 27 Sampson Avenue	Market Man
Demers, Theodore N., 51 River Street	Clerk
Diack, Alexander, 172 Elmlawn Road	Mfg.
Donahue, Thomas F., 412 Union Street	Sheet Metal Worker
Drake, Frank, 16 Highland Avenue	Painter
Dries, Frederick W., Washington Street	Rubber Worker
Drinkwater, Frederick A., 336 Elm Street	Shipper
Dubois, Jules L., 32 Myrtle Street	Furniture Dealer
Durgin, Charles F., 54 Bellevue Road	Salesman
Dwyer, Edward, 55 Elmwood Park	Contractor
Dyer, Carleton H., 237 Pond Street	Painter
Dyer, John B., 29 Academy Street	Shoe Worker
Eosue, Michael E., 235 Franklin Street	Shoe Worker
Evans, Arthur L., 125 School Street	Publisher
Evans, John G., 424 Middle Street	Laborer
Fabiano, Generoso, 132 Pond Street	
Fabiano, Percy, 142 Pond Street	Shoe Worker
Farquahson, William H., 20 Cavanaugh Road	Polisher
Ferguson, Charles W., 65 Hobart Street	Asst. Sales Manager
Finney, Eliot, 29 Jersey Avenue	Electrician
Frazier, Luke, 38 Jersey Avenue	Laborer
Gavin, John, 332 Union Street	Clerk
Getchell, Albert E., 282 Middle Street	Salesman
Gillan, James M., Allen Street	Sheet Iron Worker
Gillespie, Donald, 137 Oak Street	Salesman
Gillette, Marion C., 21 Hancock Street	Janitor
Goodhue, Norman, 57 Bellevue Road	Chauffeur
Griffiths, Herbert R., 11 Vine Street	Book Folder
Gurney, James P., 36 Bowditch Street	Painter
Gustafson, Otto, 96 Cabot Avenue	Electric Crane Operator
Hale, Arthur L., 42 Franklin Street	Clerk
Hall, Drew B., 156 River Street	Treasurer
Halpin, James P., 34 Brow Avenue	Shoe Maker
Hansen, Walter C., 35 Lisle Street	Electrician
Harvey, Lloyd F., 820 Washington Street	Chauffeur
Harvey, Walter J., 335 Middle Street	Machinist
Hayden, Eugene E., 571 West Street	Farmer
Haynes, Charles F., 45 Morrison Road	Laundry
Hedlund, John A., 10 Hedlund Avenue	Agent
Hennedy, Hugh, 314 Franklin Street	Blacksmith



Herendeen, Lloyd, 143 Elmlawn Road	Agent
Hitchcock, George A., 20 Cochato Road	Manager
Hobart, Parker H., 930 Washington Street	Insurance
Holmberg, George P., Bellevue Avenue	Shipper
Innis, Howard S., 50 Nelson Street	Foreman
Innis, William, 294 Shaw Street	Machinist
Janssen, Ernest J., 9 Dewey Road	Clerk
Jeffers, Herbert K., 214 Shaw Street	Collector
Johnston, Robert, 17 Atherton Street	Salesman
Jones, Albert E., 226 Shaw Street	Laborer
Keefe, Bernard W., 80 Hawthorne Road	Clerk
Kelley, Kenneth J., 135 Liberty Street	Student
King, Donald L., 70 Holbrook Avenue	Chemist
Lansing, George, 2 Townsend Avenue	Printer
Lathrop, Durant, 19 Trefton Drive	Clerk
Lee, John R., 238 Pearl Street	Rubber Worker
Leetch, John F., 105 Tremont Street	Chauffeur
Leon, Saleem M., 585 Grove Street	Chauffeur
LeSage, Eugene P., 91 Pond Street	Clerk
Lewis, Elmer E., 5 Fairfield Street	Buyer
Lucid, Joseph A., Jr., 15 Beechwood Road	Clerk
Lyons, Charles W., 12 Dean Street	Traffic Manager
Lynn, Warren G., 44 Williams Avenue	Printer
MacArthur, William O., Cleveland Avenue	Vice President
Mace, Harry P., 23 Harbor Villa Avenue	Accountant
MacLeod, Alexander, 52 Sterling Street	Machinist
Magaldi, Joseph M., 1 King Hill Road	Lawyer
Makepeace, Carl G., 30 Faulkner Place	Iron Const.
Maloney, Daniel A., 33 Bowditch Street	Carpenter
Mantia, Salvatore, 4 Hilliard Court	Milk Dealer
Matthews, Charles W., 244 Liberty Street	Laborer
Matthews, Henry, 7 Wellington Street	Machinist
Mattie, Walter J., 674 Commercial Street	Farmer
McCusker, Harry J., 16 Oak Street	Bleacher
McDonald, Hugh, 241 Hayward Street	Laborer
McDonald, Preston P., 73 Liberty Street	Collector
McLaughlin, John F., 31 Morrison Road	
McLaughlin, Harold, 18 Bradley Road	Engineer
McLaughlin, Stanley, 21 Bradley Road	Policeman
McKeough, Joseph S., 607 Washington Street	Carpenter
McNulty, Michael A., 26 Fairfield Street	Builder
Mealey, Paul P., 12 Taylor Street	Salesman
Menadier, Howard, 177 Commercial Street	Accountant
Monteforte, Charles, 230 A Pond Street	
O'Connor, Edward, 68 School Street	Dentist
Olson, Charles O., 49 Sterling Street	Shoe Worker
O'Neil, Emmett F., 110 Bellevue Road	Shipper
O'Rourke, John T., 125 Plain Street	Mechanic
Parker, William H., 17 Vine Street	M. T. I. Engineer
Peach, Joseph, Braintree Gardens	Bricklayer



Pearson, Stanley E., 231 Franklin Street	Printer
Perkins, George, 16 Middle Street	Carpenter
Perry, John, 904 Washington Street	
Pierce, William, 659 Union Street	Vault Clerk
Powers, John J., 31 Lisle Street	Iron Worker
Powers, William J., 84 Front Street	Plumber
Pratt, Harold S., 29 Hobart Avenue	Printer
Prescott, G. Arnold, 1151 Washington Street	Telephone
Preston, William J., 575 Commercial Street	Electrician
Prouty, Millens W., 226 Liberty Street	Salesman
Remick, John H., 89 Brow Avenue	Manager
Robertson, Henry B., 13 Cooledge Avenue	Salesman
Rogers, William H., 26 Summer Street	Chauffeur
Rook, Samuel, 110 Hillside Road	Stone Mason
Rossi, Anthony, 32 Fairview Avenue	Laborer
Ryan, John A., 131 Liberty Street	Carpenter
Sarni, Joseph, 37 Stedman Avenue	Shoe Cutter
Schroth, Edward J., 2 Hillview Road	Steamfitter
Scudder, Elliot R., 41 Mt. Vernon Avenue	Salesman
Smith, Benjamin F., 3 Sheppard Road	Laborer
Smith, Edward J., 423 Commercial Street	Bookkeeper
Smith, Ernest C., 10 Belmont Street	Clerk
Southwick, John M., 65 Wilkins Road	Painter
Spiess, Fred A., 34 Jersey Avenue	Salesman
Spillane, Thomas, 11 Marietta Avenue	Pipe Fitter
Stackhouse, Herbert F., 69 Presidents Road	Painter
Starr, Edward F., 17 Allen Street	Laborer
Starr, Leo F., 55 Sterling Street	Welder
Stenberg, John H., 6 Ardmore Street	Photo Engraver
Stevens, Edwin J., 325 Commercial Street	Foreman
Sullivan, Edward J., Jr., 64 Bickford Road	Student
Sullivan, John M., 218 Pearl Street	Contractor
Sullivan, Timothy E., 36 Oak Street	Salesman
Swinimer, Harvey, 123 Elmlawn Road	Salesman
Taber, Theodore E., 19 Commercial Street	Asst. Shipper
Tagen, Thomas, 4 Liberty Street	Auditor
Tenney, Robert A., 70 Taylor Street	Clerk
Thomas, William W., 370 Sunnyside Avenue	Jobbing
Tolmie, Edgar S., Jr., 7 Crescent Avenue	Laborer
Townsend, William S., 55 Arthur Street	Insurance Broker
Tracey, Edward J., 82 Central Avenue	Painter
Trainor, Lawrence A., Jr., 5 Liberty Street	Filling Station
Vinton, Harry F., Sr., 30 River Street	Real Estate
Wade, Robert G., 83 Cabot Avenue	Asst. Manager
Walsh, George J., 5 Wellington Street	Bleacher
Walsh, Peter H., 61 Edgehill Road	Painter
Welch, George J., 105 Tremont Street	Shoe Worker
Weston, Frederick H., 102 Tremont Street	Electrician
Weston, N. Lloyd, 102 Tremont Street	Iron Worker
Westover, Stanley L., 230 Quincy Avenue	Helper
Wynot, Parker E., 382 Commercial Street	Filling Station Att.
Yourell, John H., 85 Hobart Street	Shoe Worker
Zanghi, Joseph, 17 Rose Avenue	Barber

## TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1938

### MODERATOR

WILLIAM F. ROGERS	Term expires 1939
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### TOWN CLERK

ERNEST C. WOODSUM	Term expires 1939
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### TREASURER

JOHN W. HARDING	Term expires 1939
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### SELECTMEN

ALBERT E. ROBERTS	Term expires 1939
EDWARD AVERY	Term expires 1940
HENRY D. HIGGINS	Term expires 1941

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

ALBERT E. ROBERTS	Term expires 1939
EDWARD AVERY	Term expires 1940
HENRY D. HIGGINS	Term expires 1941

### ASSESSORS

WALTER B. SKINNER	Term expires 1939
NORRIS H. PINAULT	Term expires 1940
FRED AUSTERBERRY	Term expires 1941

### WATER COMMISSIONERS AND COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND

JOSEPH LANDERS	Term expires 1939
THOMAS E. SEARS	Term expires 1940
GEORGE A. WALKER	Term expires 1941

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ARCHIE T. MORRISON	Term expires 1939
HAROLD R. QUIMBY	Term expires 1939
HENRY D. HIGGINS	Term expires 1940
ALIDA N. STEVENS	Term expires 1940
HOWARD B. BLEWETT	Term expires 1941
C. EARLE BESTICK	Term expires 1941

### MUNICIPAL LIGHTING BOARD

ALEXANDER A. CARSON (Deceased)	Term expires 1939
SHELLEY A. NEAL (Appointed)	Term expires 1939
FRANK P. LORD	Term expires 1940
NORTON P. POTTER	Term expires 1941

**PARK COMMISSIONERS**

HARRY F. VINTON, JR.	Term expires 1939
CHARLES F. ABELL	Term expires 1940
ROBERT B. TAYLOR	Term expires 1941

**SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

SAMUEL M. ELLSWORTH	Term expires 1939
WALTER E. THOMPSON	Term expires 1940
DWIGHT A. CHANDLER	Term expires 1941

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

DEANE R. WALKER	Term expires 1939
DWIGHT A. CHANDLER	Term expires 1940
JOHN J. ATKINSON	Term expires 1941

**COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

GEORGE H. GERRIOR, JR.	Term expires 1939
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**TREE WARDEN**

CLARENCE R. BESTICK	Term expires 1939
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**PLANNING BOARD**

JOSEPH W. PARKER	Term expires 1939
JAMES F. BRITTAIN	Term expires 1939
FRANK L. HEANEY	Term expires 1940
EDWARD J. ROSE	Term expires 1940
JOHN F. CLINTON	Term expires 1941
JOHN J. DRINKWATER, Town Engineer	Ex-officio

**TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY**

ALBERT E. AVERY	Life Member
JOHN W. HARDING	Life Member
STACY B. SOUTHWORTH	Life Member
MABEL S. ROGERS	Term expires 1940
CLARA G. WETHERBEE	Term expires 1940

**TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL FUND**

ARTHUR L. HALE	Term expires 1940
JOHN W. HARDING	Term expires 1940
WILLIAM H. HEATH	Term expires 1940
OTIS B. OAKMAN	Term expires 1940
GEORGE E. SAMPSON	Term expires 1940
C. FREDERICK TARBOX	Term expires 1940
GEORGE A. WALKER	Term expires 1940



**CONSTABLES**

GEORGE F. ALLSOPP	JOHN J. HEANEY
GUSTAF ARNOLDSON, JR.	HARVEY HOWE
CLARENCE R. BESTICK	EDWARD F. MOORE
EVERETT A. BUKER	H. WINTHROP S. ROBERTS
WILLIAM J. GAUTHIER	JOHN P. SHAY
ALTON D. GRIGGS	L. DANIEL SHIELDS
ROBERT A. TENNEY	

**MEASURERS OF WOOD AND WEIGHERS OF HAY**

WILLARD P. SHEPPARD	WILFORD F. WOODSUM
R. ALLEN GAGE	

**MEASURERS OF LUMBER**

HERBERT W. BORDEN	SHELLEY A. NEAL
CHARLES O. MILLER	

**APPOINTED OFFICERS****POLICE DEPARTMENT**

JOHN J. HEANEY, Chief  
 N. ERIC NELSON, Deputy Chief  
 EVERETT A. BUKER, Sergeant  
 EDWARD D. CAHILL, Sergeant  
 EARL A. PRARIO, Sergeant

HARVEY J. ANNIS	CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND
HENRY A. COHOON	WALTER S. BELYEA
WILLIAM GALLIVAN	ARTHUR C. FORST
JOHN W. ILLINGWORTH	ALBERT R. KLAY
FRANK T. MAGUIRE	GEORGE L. NOVELLINE
JOHN F. O'ROURKE	GEORGE E. WILSON, JR.
JOSEPH W. FLAHERTY	

**RESERVE OFFICERS**

GEORGE H. FAUSTINI	HERBERT E. LEWIS
LEWIS H. GOULD	EDWARD N. SHARON
JOHN S. McLAUGHLIN	CORNELIUS L. SULLIVAN
JAMES F. SMITH	ALBERT E. WYNOT
RUSSELL WHITE	EDWARD P. LONG

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

FRED A. TENNEY, Chief	HARRY T. SEARS, Deputy Chief
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**BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

VIRGIE M. SEARS, Chairman	ERNEST C. WOODSUM, Clerk
THOMAS F. MULLIGAN	HARRISON W. BAILEY

**FIELD DRIVERS**

THEODORE N. FOGG	MANSFIELD A. BELYEA
FREDERICK L. MURPHY	

**FENCE VIEWERS**

EDWARD J. SCHROTH                      EUGENE CLEAVES  
W. HOMER MELVILLE

**INSPECTORS OF PLUMBING**

CORNELIUS W. SULLIVAN              ISRAEL P. WESTON  
ARTHUR F. SULLIVAN

**BUILDING INSPECTORS**

ALFRED H. HOLBROOK	JOHN A. RYAN
TOWN COUNSEL	RICHARD A. HUNT
TOWN ENGINEER	JOHN J. DRINKWATER
SUPT. OF FIRE ALARM	FRED A. TENNEY
SUPT. OF INFIRMARY	PATRICK T. DONAHUE
SUPT. OF STREETS	JOHN Q. WENTWORTH
SUPT. OF ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT.	FRED B. LAWRENCE
SUPT. OF WATER DEPT.	WALTER M. HATCH
SUPT. OF SEWER DEPT.	GEORGE F. BROUSSEAU
SUPT. OF PLAIN STREET CEMETERY	HERBERT F. STACKHOUSE
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	EARL H. ERVIEN
HEALTH AGENT	FREDERICK C. JOHNSON
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	CHARLES W. MATTHEWS
INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS	FREDERICK C. JOHNSON
MOTH SUPT.	CORNELIUS L. SULLIVAN
FOREST WARDEN	FRED A. TENNEY
BURIAL AGENT	SYDNEY WEST
POUND KEEPER	JAMES F. MATTIE
MILK INSPECTOR	FREDERICK C. JOHNSON
DOG OFFICER	WILLIAM A. LAMMERS

**APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE**

RAYMOND P. PALMER, Chairman, 1941 (Resigned)

AMOS C. BARTLETT, Chairman, 1940 (Elected)

HENRY H. STORM, Secretary, 1941

CHARLES E. BISHOP	1939	RAY S. HUBBARD	1939
MERTON A. TURNER	1939	RALPH B. WOODSUM	1939
WILLIAM B. TAYLOR	1939	WILLIAM D. DYER	1940
JOHN W. MAHAR	1940	HOBART W. SPRING	1940
DEE P. STURGES	1940	STUART M. DIMMOCK	1941
FRED K. SIMON	1941	CARROLL F. DAIUTE	1941

One Morrison Road  
Braintree, Mass.  
January 25th, 1939.

The Board of Selectmen  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Dear Gentlemen:—

The following is a report of the work done by the Department of Weights and Measures for the year 1938.

During the year of 1938, the Department sealed, adjusted or condemned 465 weighing or measuring devices, from which \$112.28 was received. This does not include the fees received for the licensing of hawkers, pedlers, and transient vendors, which is received by the Town Treasurer, and credited to the Department of Weights and Measures.

In addition to sealing devices, 492 inspections were made, which included the re-weighing of bread, butter, coal, and other commodities which are packaged for sale, the checking of pedler's licenses, the examination of ice cream boxes, cans and moulds and other measures for the determination of accurate measures.

This makes a total of 957 Inspections.

Very truly yours,

EARL H. ERVIEN.



## GENERAL REVENUE

## RECEIPTS

## TAXES

## Previous Years:

1936 .....	\$ 39,785.08	
1937 .....	169,030.52	
	<hr/>	\$208,815.60

## Current Year:

1938 .....		674,410.33
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## Tax Titles:

Redemptions .....	\$ 35,251.68	
Sewer .....	36.44	

## From State:

Income (Schools Inc.) .....	114,510.62	
Corporation .....	35,105.68	
Veterans' Exemptions .....	242.87	
Boulevard Maintenance .....	307.34	
	<hr/>	185,454.63

## Licenses and Permits:

Alcoholic Beverages .....	\$ 6,173.50	
Junk .....	200.00	
Pedlars .....	84.00	
Dealers .....	110.00	
Common Victuallers .....	125.00	
Sunday .....	195.00	
Pool, Billiards, etc. ....	68.00	
Revolver .....	32.50	
Refining .....	60.00	
Health Dept. ....	1,058.50	
All Other .....	938.20	
	<hr/>	9,044.70
Fines—Court .....		79.50

## Grants and Gifts:

## From State:

Highways—Church Street .....	\$ 7,536.94	
Chapter 500 .....	21,150.00	

## From County:

Dog Tax .....	1,903.40	
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## Federal Grants:

A. D. C. "118" .....	4,549.94	
Old Age Assistance .....	46,110.11	
	<hr/>	81,250.39

## From Funds:

Playgrounds: Hollis Fund .....	\$ 500.00	
Playgrounds: Thayer Fund .....	300.00	
Library: Thayer Fund .....	250.00	
	<hr/>	1,050.00

## Special Assessments:

Moth, 1936 .....	\$ 34.25	
Street Betterments Paid in Advance ...	104.00	

## Apportioned:

1936 .....	105.00
1937 .....	643.30
1938 .....	1,031.40

1,917.95

## Sewer Betterments:

Unapportioned .....	\$ 2,933.10
Paid in Advance .....	1,882.00

## Apportioned:

1936 .....	849.00
1937 .....	3,676.88
1938 .....	7,036.06

16,377.04

## Service Connections:

Unapportioned .....	\$ 4,114.15
Paid in Advance .....	243.00

## Apportioned:

1937 .....	266.23
1938 .....	613.54

5,236.92

## Excise Tax:

1936 .....	\$ 209.38
1937 .....	6,214.20
1938 .....	38,310.09

44,733.67

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Treasurer .....	\$ 15.26
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## Collector:

Tax Information and Fees .....	494.30
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509.56

## Selectmen:

Hearing .....	6.00
Land Damages, etc. ....	830.91

836.91

Insurance .....	2,654.07
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## Town Clerk:

Dog Licenses .....	2,510.00
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## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Dept.—Gas .....	\$ 1.95
Weights and Measures .....	113.03
Building Inspection .....	587.00
Moth .....	365.70
Dog Officer .....	29.00

1,096.68

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Cities and Towns .....	\$ 2,550.39
Tuberculosis .....	140.00
Dental Clinic .....	492.25
Sewer Dept. ....	60.43

3,243.07

## HIGHWAYS

Junk .....	\$ .30	
Insurance Refund .....	130.37	
Drains .....	37.44	
Quincy Avenue and Fore River Bridge....	647.12	
	<hr/>	815.23
W.P.A. Materials, 1937 Overdraft.....		1,204.39

## CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Infirmary .....	\$ 135.00	
Temporary Aids:		
Cities and Towns .....	10,522.79	
State .....	21,488.33	
A. D. C. "118" .....	6,753.21	
Old Age Assistance:		
From State .....	29,623.75	
From Cities and Towns.....	6,975.95	
	<hr/>	75,499.03
Soldiers' Benefits:		
Military Aid .....	\$ 68.00	
Soldiers' Aid Gift.....	5.00	
	<hr/>	73.00

## EDUCATION

Tuition .....	\$ 2,013.23	
Miscellaneous .....	291.16	
	<hr/>	2,304.39

## LIBRARY

Fines, etc. ....	738.80
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## UNCLASSIFIED

Water Dept., Debt and Interest.....	3,360.00
Deferred Teachers' Salaries.....	7,294.32
Miscellaneous .....	5.68
Sale of Tax Title Possessions.....	2,695.00

## LOANS

Loan on Tax Title Possessions.....	30,810.00
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## PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES

Water Dept. ....	\$ 83,589.40	
Electric Light Dept. ....	325,866.91	
	<hr/>	409,456.31
Cemetery .....		184.00



## INTEREST

Tax Titles .....		2,966.36
Taxes .....	\$ 9,439.82	
Excise .....	251.91	
	<hr/>	9,691.73
Apportioned:		
1938—Sewer, Service Conn., Streets..	\$ 3,296.44	
1937—Sewer, Service Conn., Streets..	1,404.18	
1936—Sewer, Service Conn., Streets..	450.81	
	<hr/>	5,151.43

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Temporary Loans:	
Anticipation of Revenue.....	550,000.00

## REFUNDS

Welfare .....	\$ 1,466.94	
Old Age Assistance .....	1,150.38	
Highways and Snow .....	270.84	
Treasurer — Land Court .....	842.65	
Sewer .....	173.49	
School .....	55.52	
Soldiers' Relief .....	61.00	
Library .....	2.10	
Tax Collector .....	114.63	
Fire Department .....	27.11	
Settlement of Claims .....	6.20	
	<hr/>	4,170.86

## TRANSFERS FROM RESERVE FUND

Military Aid .....	\$ 800.00	
Soldiers' Relief—Office Expense .....	127.33	
Soldiers' Relief—Auto Expense .....	125.00	
Old Age Asst.—Auto Expense .....	175.00	
Old Age Asst.—Office Expense .....	60.00	
Welfare—Auto Expense .....	999.48	
A. D. C. "118" .....	550.00	
Infirmary .....	79.49	
Town Hall Maintenance .....	300.00	
Highway—Repairs to Eqpt. ....	1,153.29	
Highway—Supplies .....	185.41	
Town Clerk—Clerical .....	135.00	
Election and Registration .....	95.00	
Police Dept.—Braintree Reservoir .....	150.00	
Tax Collector .....	65.00	
	<hr/>	5,000.00
Federal Aid Fund 1936 .....		4,209.32

## Balance January 1, 1938:

General Cash .....	\$ 86,151.48	
Electric Light Dept. ....	15,143.84	
Electric Light Depreciation .....	121,985.98	
Water Dept. ....	10,565.60	
Trust Funds .....	1,377.54	
	<hr/>	235,224.44

Total ..... \$2,590,075.31

## EXPENDITURES GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### Legislative:

Salary Moderator .....	\$	25.00
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### Finance Committee:

Secretary Salary .....	\$	250.00
Finance Reports .....		199.00
Expenses—Trans., etc. ....		394.40
		843.40

### Selectmen:

Salaries .....	\$	1,516.60
Secretary .....		1,296.00
		2,812.60

### Expenses:

Supplies, Postage, Stationery .....	\$	342.69
Printing and Advertising .....		371.81
Carfares, Auto Hire, etc. ....		23.15
Telephone .....		273.77
Special Investigation Comm. ....		341.68
All Other .....		376.62
		1,729.72

### Accountant:

Salary .....		2,000.00
Postage and Supplies .....	\$	151.82
Telephone .....		67.04
Clerical Help .....		144.00
All Other .....		79.74
		442.60

### Retirement System:

Transferred to System .....		19,998.99
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### Treasurer:

Salary .....	\$	2,000.00
Clerical .....		1,667.23
Bond .....		263.00
Postage, Supplies and Printing .....		1,093.75
Telephone .....		78.79
Printing and Advertising .....		65.39
All Other .....		291.42
Confirming Tax Titles .....		2,223.97
		7,683.55

### Collector:

Salary .....	\$	2,000.00
Clerk Deputy .....		1,300.00
Extra Clerical .....		1,405.90

### Expenses:

Bond .....	\$	577.00
Supplies and Postage .....		815.51
Printing and Advertising .....		293.45
Telephone .....		97.66
Advertising and Recording .....		771.17
All Other .....		738.85
		7,999.54
Planning Board .....		164.35

### Assessors:

Salaries .....	\$	3,000.00
Clerks (3) .....		3,172.00

## Expenses:

Supplies and Postage.....	368.02
Printing .....	285.57
Transportation .....	237.51
Telephone .....	70.24
Deeds, Probate, etc.....	561.50
Equipment .....	289.00
Poll Books .....	390.00
All Other .....	348.02

8,721.86

## Law:

Salary .....	\$ 2,000.00
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## Expenses:

Clerical .....	70.60
Stationery and Postage.....	41.34
Telephone .....	18.37
Printing and Advertising.....	5.00
Travel, Witness Fees, etc.....	346.65
Law Books .....	291.40
Walter J. MacDonald.....	200.00

2,973.36

Settlement Suits vs. Town.....	\$ 1,412.81
Expenses .....	26.50
Land Damages 1937—Heirs of Sarah A. Berry	750.00
Land Damages Union St.....	3,332.80
All Others .....	6,355.90
Court Judgments .....	500.00

12,378.01

## Town Clerk:

Salary .....	\$ 2,000.00
Clerical Help .....	407.00
Bond .....	15.00
Supplies, Postage, etc.....	123.67
Printing and Advertising.....	39.08
Telephone .....	50.60
All Other .....	120.90

2,756.25

## Election and Registration:

Salary, Registrars .....	\$ 300.00
Election Officers .....	1,148.00
Constables .....	32.00
Printing .....	444.50
Lunches .....	311.45
Stationery and Postage.....	34.34
All Others .....	64.50

2,334.79

## Engineering Dept.:

Salaries — Engineer .....	\$ 2,500.00
Transitmen .....	2,720.00
Clerk .....	936.00

## Maintenance:

Materials .....	103.14
Supplies and Postage.....	249.87
Gas and Oil.....	101.90
Telephone .....	68.99
All Other .....	196.47

6,876.37

## Town Hall:

Janitor and Assistant.....	\$ 2,501.30
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## Maintenance:

Fuel and Gas .....	942.16
Light .....	424.82
Janitor's Supplies .....	371.24
Repairs (Roof, Fence, etc.) .....	1,481.48
Water .....	75.66
Glassed in Corridor .....	250.80
Fire Hose .....	64.35
All Other .....	400.19

6,512.00

## Fire and Police Station:

## Maintenance:

Gas .....	\$ 239.62
Light and Water .....	305.08
Janitor's Supplies .....	198.53
Repairs .....	90.40
Oil .....	1,065.92
All Other .....	200.45

2,100.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Salaries and Wages:

Chief .....	\$ 3,000.00
Deputy Chief .....	2,400.00
Sergeants .....	6,300.00
Patrolmen .....	25,320.04
Election .....	80.60
Hurricane Emergency .....	301.70

37,402.34

Sick Leave .....	\$ 400.00
Vacations .....	1,132.80
Braintree Reservoir Patrol .....	103.20
Matron .....	90.88
Dog Officer .....	100.00
Supplies and Postage .....	43.58
Telephone .....	442.22
Auto Repairs .....	292.33
Gasoline, Oil, etc. ....	824.68
Medical Aid .....	75.43
Court Expense .....	60.00
Light .....	22.09
New Equipment (2 Cars) .....	1,279.11
Flood Lights, Batteries, etc. ....	152.88
All Other .....	240.91

5,260.11

Pensions — Chief .....	\$ 1,250.00
Patrolman (2) .....	2,231.00

3,481.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Salaries:

Chief .....	\$ 3,000.00
Deputy Chief .....	2,400.00
Permanent Men .....	30,880.00
Extra Pay .....	1,808.50
Hill .....	75.00

Sick Leave .....	120.00	
Vacations — Fire Dept. ....	900.00	
Vacations — Fire Alarm .....	522.50	
Fire Alarm Repairman .....	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	41,706.00

## Equipment and Repairs:

Apparatus .....	\$ 369.89	
Equipment for Men .....	365.49	
Equipment and Hose .....	1,662.70	
Gas, Oil and Grease .....	701.11	
Supplies .....	258.65	
Repairs — Radiators, Retiling Floor, etc.	51.78	
July 4th Expenses .....	219.00	
Fuel .....	161.12	
Light .....	82.36	
Water .....	21.00	
Stationery and Postage .....	52.97	
Telephone .....	235.45	
Janitor's Supplies .....	93.53	
New Auto .....	781.35	
All Other .....	493.35	
	<hr/>	5,549.75

## Fire Alarm Maintenance:

Power .....	\$ 21.30	
Auto Repairs .....	62.34	
Equipment .....	2,505.28	
Miscellaneous Supplies, etc. ....	242.74	
	<hr/>	2,831.66

## INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS

Salary — Inspector .....	\$ 1,000.00	
Expenses .....	100.00	
	<hr/>	1,100.00

## WEIGHTS and MEASURES

Salary — Sealer .....	\$ 414.15	
Transportation .....	113.38	
All Other .....	46.46	
Sealer's Test Tanks .....	128.70	
	<hr/>	702.69

## MOTH DEPARTMENT

Supt. — Salary .....	\$ 600.00	
Labor .....	1,995.10	
Equipment Repairs .....	99.98	
Misc. Hdw., Tools, etc. ....	387.50	
Printing .....	18.50	
All Other .....	193.57	
	<hr/>	3,294.65

## TREE WARDEN

Planting and Trimming Trees .....	300.00
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Salaries of Board .....	\$ 300.00	
Health Officer .....	1,300.00	
Stationery and Postage .....	49.00	
Printing and Advertising .....	93.50	
Telephone .....	68.74	
Transportation .....	150.00	
All Other .....	239.26	
		2,200.50
Contagious Diseases:		
Hospitals .....	\$ 8,268.51	
Cities and Towns .....	69.00	
All Other .....	616.94	
		8,954.45
Tuberculosis:		
Board and Treatment .....	\$ 480.00	
County Assessment .....	9,660.32	
		10,140.32
Vital Statistics:		
Return of Births and Deaths .....		50.00
Inspection of Plumbing .....		1,560.90
Collection of Garbage .....		2,728.78
Dental Clinic:		
Services .....	\$ 2,159.20	
Supplies .....	139.13	
		2,298.33
Inspection of Animals:		
Salary .....		200.00
Meat and Provisions Salary .....		350.00
Diphtheria Clinic .....		324.15
Sewerage:		
House Connections:		
Pay Rolls .....	\$ 3,683.16	
All Other .....	2,558.40	
		6,241.56
Maintenance:		
Pay Rolls .....	\$ 7,014.90	
All Other .....	2,894.30	
		9,909.20
Construction:		
Pay Rolls .....	\$ 1,746.62	
All Other .....	3,209.63	
		4,956.25
W. P. A. Activities .....		13,067.59
Drainage Study .....		248.53

## HIGHWAYS

Supt. Salary .....	\$ 2,900.00
Supplies .....	844.71
Tarvia and Sanding .....	9,415.09
Patching .....	9,001.38
Sidewalks — Repairs .....	1,582.06
Street Cleaning .....	6,968.38
Drains and Catch Basins .....	2,990.36
Gas and Oil .....	4,280.13



Repairs to Equipment .....	7,165.18	
All Other .....	5,163.23	
W. P. A. Activities .....	15,081.43	
Chapter 90 — Church St. ....	20,780.22	
Chapter 500 — Hurricane ..	\$10,437.76	
Highway ....	1,508.55	
Tree Warden .....	3,294.20	
	<hr/>	15,240.51
Sidewalks — Hancock St. ....	1,316.57	
Sidewalks — Wildwood Ave. ....	1,146.17	
Sidewalks — Middle St. ....	755.99	
Sidewalks — Union St. ....	338.01	
Snow Removal .....	15,627.73	
	<hr/>	120,597.15
Street Lighting .....		12,000.00

### CHARITIES

#### Overseers of Poor (Welfare):

Salaries (3) .....	\$ 466.60	
Administrator .....	1,875.00	
Visitors (2) .....	2,354.00	
Clerk .....	845.00	
Bookkeeper .....	1,365.00	
Office Supplies .....	505.86	
Auto Repairs .....	1,701.53	
New Car .....	636.15	
	<hr/>	9,749.14

#### Temporary Aid:

Groceries .....	\$ 39,147.81	
Fuel .....	7,254.26	
Rent .....	19,092.44	
Medical .....	9,185.84	
State Institutions .....	767.80	
Cash Grants and Accts. Receivable .....	20,570.08	
Shoes .....	1,168.53	
All Other (Burials, Light, etc.) .....	3,774.90	
	<hr/>	100,961.66

#### A. D. C. "118":

Cash Grants .....	\$ 16,712.35	
All Other .....	1,385.52	
	<hr/>	18,097.87

#### Infirmary:

Salary — Supt. ....	\$ 1,197.00	
Salary — Labor .....	862.35	
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Groceries .....	\$ 3,022.09	
Clothing, etc. ....	294.45	
Repairs to Building .....	925.00	
Fuel, Light, Gas .....	926.51	
Gas and Oil .....	74.70	
Medicine and Medical Aid .....	296.20	
New Equipment .....	70.00	
Telephone .....	41.95	
All Other .....	1,221.33	
	<hr/>	6,872.23

## Old Age Assistance:

Salary Administrator .....	\$ 1,554.50	
Clerical Help .....	934.00	
Office Expense .....	158.21	
		2,646.71
Cash Grants, etc. ....	\$ 67,237.54	
Auto Supplies .....	132.01	
Administration Federal Grant .....	1,490.58	
Old Age Asst. Federal Grant .....	45,200.08	
		114,060.21
Old Age Reimbursement .....		398.83

## Soldiers' Relief:

Telephone .....	\$ 19.49	
Office Supplies .....	231.20	
Auto Transportation .....	200.00	
Groceries .....	4,935.06	
Rents .....	3,088.58	
Fuel and Light .....	1,766.22	
Medical Aid .....	2,161.36	
Clothing and Shoes .....	881.99	
All Other .....	150.88	
Salary of Agent .....	1,050.00	
Cash Grants .....	9,929.55	
State Aid .....	520.00	
Military Aid .....	1,610.00	
		26,544.33

## SCHOOLS

Salaries .....	\$235,568.69	
Supt. ....	4,625.01	
Janitors' Salaries .....	16,756.26	
Secretary — Supt.'s Office .....	1,300.00	
Attendance Officer .....	700.00	
Doctors .....	900.00	
Nurse .....	1,800.00	
Clerk — High School .....	1,200.00	
Repairman .....	2,000.00	
		264,849.96

## Text Books and Supplies:

Text Books .....	\$ 5,350.00	
Supplies .....	10,868.71	
		16,218.71

## Expense and Maintenance:

Tuition .....	\$ 6,408.02	
Transportation .....	8,864.15	
Fuel and Light .....	10,680.88	
Repairs .....	15,615.14	
Outlay .....	1,910.76	
Furniture and Fixtures .....	1,076.83	
Water .....	1,227.60	
Janitors' Supplies .....	497.12	
All Other .....	2,936.12	
		49,216.62
W. P. A. Activities—Schools .....		1,873.76

## New Southwest School:

Architect .....	\$	370.22	
Insurance .....		44.51	
Contract .....		15,952.22	
All Other .....		1,334.60	
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			17,701.55

## LIBRARY

Librarian .....	\$	1,999.92	
Assistants .....		5,790.19	
Janitors .....		447.06	
Books .....		2,742.41	
Binding .....		295.37	
Insurance .....		49.10	
Gas .....		87.50	
Lights .....		168.38	
Fuel .....		292.10	
Repairs .....		176.51	
Furnishings .....		64.11	
Rent .....		1,285.00	
Telephone .....		143.75	
Stationery, Printing and Advertising .....		443.93	
All Other .....		778.54	
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			14,763.87

## RECREATION

## Parks and Playgrounds—Pr. 1:

Labor .....	\$	810.50	
Materials .....		139.27	
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			949.77

## Parks and Playgrounds—Pr. 2:

Labor .....	\$	328.60	
Materials .....		271.40	
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			600.00

## Parks and Playgrounds—Pr. 3:

Labor .....	\$	402.12	
Materials .....		194.59	
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			596.71

## Organized Play:

Labor .....	\$	108.25	
Materials and Equipment .....		391.65	
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			499.90

## UNCLASSIFIED

## Selectmen:

Town Meeting .....	\$	98.00	
Hall — Janitors .....		100.00	
Dog Officer .....		77.00	
Office .....		258.88	
All Other .....		305.37	
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			839.25



## W. P. A. Miscellaneous (Finance Committee) :

Office .....	\$ 573.41
Miscellaneous .....	4.10
Sewing Project .....	683.29
Historical Project .....	58.78
Library Project .....	42.14
School Grounds .....	486.08
Commodities .....	1,621.52
Recreational .....	133.35
Highway and Moth .....	606.65

4,209.32

## W. P. A. Administrative:

Office .....	\$ 1,782.44
Miscellaneous .....	2,757.90
Sewing .....	1,964.26
Recreational .....	249.37
Commodities .....	154.78
Library .....	12.29
Highway and Moth .....	308.00

7,229.04

Town Reports .....	1,410.48
Insurance—Buildings and Equipment.....	7,152.46
Employees Compensation .....	3,593.45
Protection — Sunset Lake .....	300.00
Memorial Day .....	490.18
Legion Building .....	748.91

## Interest:

Schools .....	\$ 10,965.00
Fire and Police Station.....	2,400.00
Water Dept. ....	360.00
Sewer .....	19,860.00
Anticipation of Revenue.....	1,801.71

35,386.71

## Municipal Indebtedness:

Schools .....	\$ 56,000.00
Water Dept. ....	3,000.00
Fire and Police Station.....	8,000.00
Sewer .....	28,000.00
Emergency Finance Loan .....	4,928.83
Anticipation of Revenue .....	550,000.00

649,928.83

Water Dept. Maint. ....	86,982.89
Electric Light Dept. ....	337,437.49
Electric Light Dept. Depreciation Fund.....	47,678.15

## Cemetery — Plain St.:

Supt. Salary .....	\$ 300.00
Labor .....	195.00
Maintenance .....	68.45

563.45

County Tax .....	\$ 24,845.68
State Tax .....	71,910.00
Charles River Basin Loan.....	2,724.09
Met. Parks Loan Sinking Fund No. 1.....	11,960.46
Met. Planning Division .....	158.52
Met. Parks Loans Sinking Fund No. 2.....	1,272.05
Met. Park Loan Fund Nantasket.....	807.33
Wellington Bridge .....	23.32
Metropolitan Sewer .....	19,484.69

Smoke Insurance .....	270.65	
Auditing Municipal Accounts.....	1,362.48	
Hospital and Home Care.....	122.50	
Penalty for Failure to Make Returns.....	18.00	
West Roxbury — Brookline Parkway.....	.20	
	<hr/>	134,959.97

REFUNDS

Taxes 1936 .....	\$ 19.56	
Taxes 1937 .....	2.82	
Taxes 1938 .....	484.67	
	<hr/>	507.05
Taxes Excise 1937.....	\$ 50.15	
Taxes Excise 1938.....	1,124.00	
	<hr/>	1,174.15
Transfers from Reserve Fund:		
See Receipts .....		5,000.00

Balance January 1, 1939:		
General Cash .....	\$109,507.52	
Electric Light Dept.....	3,573.26	
Electric Light Depreciation .....	109,168.64	
Water Dept. ....	7,172.11	
Trust Funds .....	593.02	
	<hr/>	230,014.55
Total .....		<hr/> \$2,590,075.31

RETIREMENT SYSTEM

RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1938.....	\$ 4,890.52	
Received during year .....	30,023.59	
	<hr/>	34,914.11

PAYMENTS

Salary — Clerk .....	\$ 970.00	
Miscellaneous Expense .....	259.63	
Pension Pay Roll .....	5,377.07	
Deposits Refunded .....	1,638.94	
Interest on Refunds .....	14.31	
Annuities Paid .....	32.14	
Investments, Bonds and Savings Banks.....	25,208.49	
Accrued Interest .....	127.30	
	<hr/>	33,627.88
Cash Balance December 31, 1938..	\$	<hr/> 1,182.65





# WARRANT

## FOR

# *Annual Town Meeting*



Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree.  
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Noah Torrey School.  
Polling Place in Precinct 2, Town Hall.  
Polling Place in Precinct 3, Legion Building.  
Polling Place in Precinct 4, Penniman School.  
Polling Place in Precinct 5, Hose House, Allen Street.  
Polling Place in Precinct 6, Thomas Watson School.

On Monday, the sixth day of March, 1939, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring into the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Moderator, Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, one Selectman for a term of three years, one Selectman for a term of one year to fill vacancy, one member of the Board of Public Welfare for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Public Welfare for a term of one year to fill vacancy, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, two members of the School Committee for a term of three years, one member of the Municipal Lighting Board for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Sewer Commissioner for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the Planning Board for a term of three years, fifteen Constables, and two hundred and forty Town Meeting Members as follows: Thirty-nine members from Precinct 1; forty-two members from Precinct 2; forty-two members from Precinct 3; forty-two members from Precinct 4; thirty-nine members from Precinct 5; and thirty-six members from Precinct 6.

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree on Monday, the thirteenth day of March, 1939, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers, except those elected by ballot.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the report of the several boards of Town Officers, and committees, and choose any committee the Town may think proper.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1940, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money for general municipal purposes under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, as amended, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond for any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 7. To see if the Town will hold its Collector harmless on his bond for any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures during the current year.

Article 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Interest and Maturing Debt the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Insurance on Town property and Workingmen's Compensation, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the Norfolk County Hospital Assessment, for maintenance and repairs.

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Street Lighting, to wit—\$12,500.00.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of printing and distribution of the Annual Report of the Town of Braintree for 1938.

Article 14. To see what distribution the Town will vote to make of the income of the Thayer Fund.

Article 15. To see what sums of money, in addition to that appropriated under any other article, the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Land Damages.

## SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

Article 16. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools for the present year, or take any other action relative thereto.



Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing, or taking, land in Precinct Three; said land being Lot 8 on Assessors' Plan, Number 2031, Plot 24, consisting of 5394 square feet, on Weston Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate sums of money for the purpose of constructing, furnishing, and equipping an addition to the High School, and for the making of additions, alterations, and repairs to the present building, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all, or any part of said sums and to authorize the proper officers to take any steps which may be necessary to secure an allotment of Federal funds under P.W.A. or other Federal agency, to supplement any appropriation made by the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the Public Library, the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 20. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for General Government for salaries and expenses for the following departments and other purposes, the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

1. Moderator.
2. Finance Committee.
3. Selectmen.
4. Accountant.
5. Town Engineer.
6. Assessors.
7. Treasurer.
8. Tax Collector.
9. Town Clerk.
10. Election and Registration.
11. Law.
12. Maintenance of Municipal Buildings: Town Hall, Central Fire and Police Station and Public Library.
13. Contributory Retirement System.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to sums of money already appropriated to cover the Town's share for materials, trucking and other necessary expenditures in connection with W.P.A. activities or other Special Aid projects in conjunction with State or Federal Government as may be approved by the Finance Committee, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 22. To see what further sums the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate to meet certain incidental and miscellaneous expenses not otherwise provided for, namely, General Government Incidentals, the same to be in addition to any sums previously appropriated for said purposes.

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Article 23. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the protection of persons and property the present year, or take any action relative thereto.



1. Life Guard at Sunset Lake.
2. Building Inspector.
3. Sealer of Weights and Measures.
4. Tree Warden's Department.
5. Moth Department.
6. Fire Department.
7. Police Department.

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 24. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Health and Sanitation the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the maintenance and operation of the Water Department, including interest and debt on Water Loans, the same to be taken from the revenue of the Department, and the unexpended balance of 1938, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Water Department, the sum of \$300.00, for the salaries of the Water Commissioners.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department, the sum of \$300.00, for salaries of the Electric Light Commissioners.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to include in the Tax Levy for electricity used for street lighting the sum of \$12,500.00 as appropriated under Article 12 of the Warrant for the 1939 Annual Town Meeting, and that said sum together with the income from sales of electricity to private consumers, or for current supplied to Municipal Building or for Municipal Power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year, to be appropriated for the use of the Municipal Light Plant, the whole to be expended under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for repairs, renewals, new construction and operating expenses of the plant for the present fiscal year, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, and that, if said income shall exceed the expense for the fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the construction fund of said plant and appropriated and shall be used for such additions to the plant as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Article 29. To see what sum or sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purposes of the Sewer Department, to be expended by the Board of Sewer Commissioners, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Board of Sewer Commissioners.

## RECREATION

Article 31. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the general uses of the Board of Park Commissioners the coming year, or take any action relative thereto.

## CEMETERIES

Article 32. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the improvement of the Cemetery the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 33. On Petition. To see if the Town in accordance with Chapter 114, Section 34 of the General Laws, will authorize the use of the following parcel of land for burial purposes as an extension of the present Blue Hill Cemetery. A certain parcel of land situated in said Braintree, bounded and described as follows: Westerly by a Way forty feet wide, shown on the plan hereinafter referred to twelve hundred forty-six and 71/100 (1246.71) feet; Northeasterly, six hundred seven and 44/100 (607.44) feet; and Northerly twelve hundred sixty-six and 42/100 (1266.42) feet by land now or formerly of Robert L. Ryder; Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Peter Cahill, two hundred fifty-six feet; Southeasterly by land now or formerly of Blue Hill Cemetery, four hundred sixty-six and 70/100 (466.70) feet; and Southerly by land of said Blue Hill Cemetery, twenty-one hundred fifty-two and 15/100 (2152.15) feet. Said parcel is shown as lot A on a plan drawn by Roland H. Barnes and Henry F. Beal, Civil Engineers, dated February, 1938, filed in the Norfolk Registry District of the Land Court as plan number 11973-B with Certificate of Title No. 21843.

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Soldiers' Relief, State Aid and Military Aid the present year, or take any action relative thereto.

## PUBLIC WELFARE

Article 35. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the Public Welfare Department, including Aid for Dependent Children, and Adequate Assistance to Certain Aged Persons under the provisions of Chapter 118A, Acts of 1931, or take any action relative thereto.

## HIGHWAYS

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, including labor, repairs to highways, Town ways and Bridges; also, for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads and removal of Snow, Oiling and Tarring of Streets; purchase of equipment for said department, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 37. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Argyle Road, so-called, from Pleasant View Avenue to Glenrose Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 38. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Putnam Avenue, so-called, from Cleveland Avenue 292 feet easterly as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.



Article 39. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Wayne Avenue, so-called, from Pond Street to Logan Road; and Logan Road from Wayne Avenue to Hoover Road; and Hoover Road from Logan Road to St. Michael Road as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 40. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to reconstruct Hayward Street from Howard Street easterly to Quincy Avenue, and raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 41. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Spencer Street, so-called, from Trefton Drive to Arborway Drive, as laid out by the Selectmen; and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 42. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Faulkner Place, so-called, 730 feet westerly from Washington Street as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 43. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Perry Road, so-called, from Burroughs Road to Bower Road, a distance of approximately 172 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen; and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 44. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to widen Common Street from Washington Street to Sunnyside Avenue, so that it may have a uniform width of forty feet; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 45. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Sunnyside Avenue, so-called, from the end of Common Street, so-called, approximately 1000 feet westerly, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 46. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to widen Hobart Avenue, from Washington Street westerly to Tremont Street and Tremont Street southerly to Central Avenue, beginning at Hobart Avenue; and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same or take any action relative thereto.

Article 47. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Wilkins Road, so-called, from present line of acceptance to North Bowditch Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 48. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, North Bowditch Street, so-called, from Wilkins Road to May Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 49. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Atlas Road, so-called, between Cedarcliff Road and Thayer Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a



sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 50. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Thayer Road, so-called, 800 feet westerly from Quincy Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 51. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Staten Road, so-called, from present line of acceptance westerly to Abbott Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 52. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Garland Street, so-called, from Dickerman Lane southerly to Storrs Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 53. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Glenrose Avenue, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Argyle Road, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 54. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Newport Avenue, so-called, 510 feet westerly from Franklin Street, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the said way under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 55. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the widening of the present Bridge on Jefferson Street, South Braintree, under a W.P.A. Project; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 56. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of Traffic Signal Lights on Quincy Avenue, East Braintree, near the Thomas Watson School, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 57. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of Traffic Signal Lights at the intersection of Commercial, Liberty and Union Streets, East Braintree, near the Jonas Perkins School, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the practice of electing Constables by ballot and authorize the Selectmen to appoint such Constables as they may deem necessary under the provisions of Section 91A, Chapter 41, General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 59. To see if the Town will take any action by petition to the Legislature or otherwise to place any or all of the Town Employees under Civil Service Regulations, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 60. To see if the Town will take any action by petition to the Legislature or otherwise, to establish a system of Tenure of Office for any or all of the Town Employees, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 61. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate to meet the payment of certain bills contracted in several departments prior to January 1st, 1939, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 3 of Article 1 of the By-Laws by substituting for said Section 3 the following: "Article 1. Section 3. All business, except the election of officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be determined by ballot, shall be considered at an adjournment thereof to the second Monday following at 7:45 P.M."

Article 63. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by transfer or otherwise the amount of \$55,296.47 for overdrafts of the year 1937, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of making a survey of the Braintree School System, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 65. To see if the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate sums of money for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping a Fire Station in East Braintree, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all, or any part of said sums, and to authorize the proper officers to take any steps which may be necessary to secure an allotment of Federal funds under P.W.A. or other Federal agency, to supplement any appropriation made by the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 66. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property, title to which has been acquired by the Town under tax title foreclosure procedure, at public auction, provided notice of such auction sale be published in one or more newspapers published in the Town at least one week before the date of said sale, and to authorize the Selectmen to execute deeds conveying said land.

Article 67. On Petition. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the purpose of purchasing or taking land in Precinct 4 and constructing, furnishing and equipping a grade school building thereon; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow any part of such sum in accordance with the provisions of any act so authorizing; or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 68. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the collection, transportation and disposal of rubbish and refuse from the private residences and stores or any other habitations in the Town of Braintree, by the Highway Department; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 69. On Petition. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, to secure a suitable location, to be used as a Town Dump, or appropriate any money for same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 70. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 to assist Braintree Post No. 86, American Legion, in the maintenance of its Headquarters in the Legion Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 71. On Petition. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to assist Braintree Post No. 86, American Legion, Antietam Camp No. 3, Sons of Union Veterans, and Braintree



Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in defraying expenses of Memorial Day, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 72. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Highway Fund provided by Chapter 2 of the Acts of 1939 for any of the purposes authorized by said Chapter.

Article 73. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article I of the By-Laws by adding a new section to said article, said section to read as follows:—

“Section 8. The following officials of the Town shall be members ex-officio of the Limited Town Meeting, in accordance with Section 3 of Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1937:—Moderator, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Town Accountant, Tax Collector, Chairman of the Selectmen, Chairman of Assessors, Chairman of Water Commission, Chairman of School Committee, Chairman of Municipal Light Board, Chairman of Park Commission, Chairman of Planning Board, Chairman of Board of Health, Chairman of Trustees of Public Library, Chairman of Sewer Commission, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and Secretary to the Finance Committee.”

Article 74. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for the expenses of the Planning Board or take any action thereto.

Article 75. To see if the Town of Braintree will adopt a standardized purchase order form as approved by the Finance Committee, and that this form be put into use in all Purchasing Departments of the Town not later than April 1st, 1939, and that the Selectmen shall be responsible for furnishing and distributing these forms to the various Departments and charging each Department with the quantities used, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 76. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate to defray the expenses of the Three Hundredth Anniversary Celebration for Braintree, the same to be expended by the Special Committee appointed under Article 53 of the 1934 Annual Town Meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 77. On Petition. To see if the town will adopt, and memorialize other Towns and Cities within the Commonwealth and the Great and General Court, urging them to adopt the substance of the following resolutions, or to see what action the Town will take with reference thereto:

Resolved: That in the methods to be used in constructing and repairing our properties, those methods be adopted which will employ men, rather than utilize machinery to the exclusion of manual labor.

Be It Further Resolved: That in all contemplated projects of larger proportions to be done under contract, a stipulation be included in each contract which shall specify what work is to be done by hand labor, and what is permitted to be done by machinery:

Be It Further Resolved: That in the performance of public works, we attend primarily to the utilization of animate power to supply means for the machine's support.

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each Voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said sixth day of March, 1939, and by publishing the same once each week for two successive



weeks in the Braintree Observer, the first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

HENRY D. HIGGINS, Chairman.

ALBERT E. ROBERTS, Clerk.

Selectmen of the Town of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 10th, 1939.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned, for the purposes therein mentioned.

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